

Stout Outlook

A Place for Lifelong Learning and Lifetime Fitness

UW-Stout celebrates new recreation complex



Grand opening of the Recreation / Athletic complex was held October 19. Cutting the ribbon (center) are Rome Cagle, Stout Student Association President, and Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen. Looking on (l to r) are Diane Moen, vice chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Services; Robert Sedlak, provost; Marshall Quilling, Menomonie School District; Richard Lowery, (obscured behind Cagle) City of Menomonie; B. Jane Hoyt, (partially obscured behind Sorensen) Dunn County Board; Linda Funk, Stout University Foundation; James Albers, UW System; and Moose Speros, State of Wisconsin.

For more information about the facilities, including event scheduling, call 715/232-4079. Details are also available on the UW-Stout Web site at:
<http://www.uwstout.edu/recomplex/>

In conjunction with its homecoming festivities, UW-Stout opened its new \$8.9 million Recreation/Athletic Complex. During the weeklong celebration, titled "A Place for Lifelong Learning and Lifetime Fitness," students, faculty, staff, alumni and community members attended a variety of grand opening events, including a ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, October 19.

Throughout the week the university offered tours of the complex, a project that involved redeveloping 30 acres for recreation, adding 17,800 square feet to the Physical Education Building and constructing a 4,500-seat stadium.

The new facilities respond to the needs of UW-Stout students. In 1996, the Stout Student Association passed a resolution that identified "the need for more and improved recreation, intramural and athletic facilities." The student body then voted to approve a program revenue segregated fee that will raise \$3 million for the facility over a 20-year period.

In addition to student fees, the City of Menomonie, Dunn County and the Menomonie Area School District have contributed to financing the complex. The project was also funded through donor gifts that were raised by the Stout University Foundation Inc., program revenue, and an exclusive pouring rights contract between the university and Pepsi Cola.

Great new view

UW-Stout's new Don and Nona Williams Stadium, which was named for the Menomonie couple who donated \$1 million to the project, features the second artificial turf field in the state of Wisconsin, the other being Camp Randall Stadium in Madison.

According to Michael Buxrude, manager of the Recreation/Athletic Complex, all stadium spectators are treated to a great view of the action. "There is not a bad seat in this stadium," he said. Spectators may choose to sit on general admission bleachers or in the 440 reserved seats located in the top center area, he added.

The top level of the three-story stadium holds a press box area, a hospitality room with an outside deck, several coaches' boxes and an open deck for media use. The bottom floor holds a concessions area that is operated by UW-Stout's University Dining Service. Other conveniences include bathrooms, water fountains and elevator access on each floor.

Ninth year UW-Stout football coach Ed Meierkort said the new stadium will bring a great deal of visibility to both the university and the Menomonie community.

"We are going from one of the worst facilities in the UW System to one of the best. Dressing up Nelson field was like dressing up an old lineman in a tuxedo. The new facilities are excellent and will attract games from area high schools, playoffs and a lot of tournament play to our area," Meierkort said.

In fact, Buxrude pointed out that the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association has visited the facility because they are interested in using it for playoff games.

In order to alleviate traffic in the neighborhoods surrounding the stadium during scheduled events, UW-Stout offers free parking in university lots. The university will also provide security and clean up for each event.

Beyond the end zones

As a place for lifetime fitness, UW-Stout's new Recreation/Athletic Complex meets a wide variety of needs for everyone in the surrounding community. In addition to the stadium, the complex presents the following facilities:

- **Indoor climbing walls and adventure trip planning area:** Offers quality climbing experiences with the assistance of trained facilitators, outdoor equipment rental and a resource center for planning outdoor trips and activities.
- **Outdoor adventure challenge course (ropes courses):** Fosters teamwork, trust and communication among participating groups. Available to students and staff, and to community, business, corporate and civic groups by reservation.
- **Indoor health and fitness center:** Provides machines, cardiovascular equipment and free weights for beginners on up to advanced weight lifters.
- **Indoor group fitness facility:** Offers space for recreational aerobic classes and club sport practices.
- **Outdoor natural grass fields:** Accommodates softball, soccer, rugby, flag football, ultimate Frisbee and other events.
- **Six outdoor lighted NCAA tennis courts**
- **Two outdoor official-sized sand volleyball courts**
- **Outdoor lighted NCAA soccer field**
- **Outdoor lighted NCAA women's softball field**

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University News

Grants and research experience continued growth

Activities enhance degree programs and services

Applied research conducted at UW-Stout continues to increase, enhancing both the university's degree programs and the services it offers. During the 2000–2001 school year, the dollar amount of grant and contract submissions at UW-Stout increased more than 173 percent, from \$8,127,385 in 1999–2000 to \$22,265,353 by June 2001.

The 220 grants and contracts submitted in 2000-01 involved 595 students, graduate assistants, faculty, staff and limited-term employees. One hundred and sixty-one of the grants and contracts

were awarded during the 2000–01 fiscal year, totaling \$5,946,627.

During 2000–01, UW-Stout experienced significant growth in the number of grant proposals our faculty have submitted to the National Science Foundation. Just since January 2001, seven NSF grants were proposed, including three that aspire to support the education of women in nontraditional roles. In 2000, three NSF grants were submitted, one of which was funded.

Recent UW-Stout research projects include:

Studying the human heart

The American Heart Association recently awarded Scott Zimmerman, of UW-Stout's biology department, \$80,000 to study the heart's response to stress.

With the help of UW-Stout students he recruited, Zimmerman will conduct research to determine how certain stressors, such as exercise, aging and disease, reshape the heart. The research will concentrate on what happens after a heart attack to both the damaged area of the heart and the part that still contracts and moves blood through the body, said Zimmerman.

The researchers will pay particular attention to the signaling molecule, tumor necrosis factor, that directs immune system cells to remove areas of the heart damaged by a heart attack and to replace them with connective proteins that create a scar. Zimmerman said he and his students will monitor the resulting change in

the shape of the heart, and test how exercise and aging influence this remodeling process.

"The scar is helpful because it maintains the integrity of the tissue," explained Zimmerman. "However, the part of the heart that was not affected by the heart attack has to make up for the work that the dead, scarred part can no longer perform," he added.

According to Zimmerman, people who suffer heart attacks are at high risk for heart failure, largely because of the strain the remodeling process puts on the undamaged part of the heart. "Because the heart changes shape and doesn't beat as well, the rest of the musculature begins to deteriorate, resulting in failure. My research will provide insight into this process," he said.

Zimmerman stressed that the research supported by his grant will enhance the learning process of UW-Stout

students. "We do research here to give students the opportunity to get into the lab—to engage and challenge them more completely," he said.

By working on this project, the students will gain problem-solving and teamwork skills. This effort will also help them exercise their presentation skills as they disseminate what they have discovered in the lab, said Zimmerman. He intends to take the students involved in his research to conferences, including the 2002 Experimental Biology conference in New Orleans, to openly distribute what they have learned, he added.



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Raising HIV awareness

AIDS cases occurring in the over-50 population are rising twice as fast as those among younger adults, and now make up more than 10 percent of the cases in the United States.

Nearly 80,000 people over 50 have AIDS. Yet, not one national prevention program targets this population. Kathleen Deery, department of rehabilitation and counseling, is researching why the number of cases is on the rise, and what can be done to stop it.

"The numbers are staggering," said Deery. "Without a great deal of intervention, I think we will see the number of older individuals with the virus increase

tremendously. We are far under-predicting what will happen."

After conducting archival studies, Deery's findings indicated that many older adults do not know the risk factors for HIV and do not believe they are at risk. Deery plans to support a proactive education program for older adults in conjunction with the Department of Aging and local health care providers.

"I want to talk to individual men and women to find out what they know about HIV as a baseline measure. Then, I plan to provide education and later follow up with them to see how their views change," she explained.

Educating the current older population about HIV presents a challenge, because they were not socialized to talk openly about sex. "I will have to approach the topic creatively," said Deery.

Still, she is committed to raising public awareness about AIDS and aging. "This is the kind of information that saves lives," she said.



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Improving student retention

The U.S. Department of Education recently awarded UW-Stout two grants totaling more than \$2 million to help disabled and first generation college students reach graduation.

As a federally funded TRIO program, the Student Support Services–ASPIRE program received a \$1.3 million five-year award to continue and expand its services for first generation and low-income college students. The new funding will help even more students access academic monitoring and counseling, writing assistance, peer mentoring and help to develop good study habits.

"Our bottom line is to ensure these students stay in college and graduate. We make sure they understand what it takes to be successful in college and get them connected to all the supportive services they need," said

Andrew Cseter, director of Student Support Services–ASPIRE and Disability Services.

Because UW-Stout's program scored in the top ten percent of all applicants approved for new grants, the Secretary of Education honored ASPIRE with a five-year grant term and named ASPIRE a national model program.

UW-Stout is also one of 133 institutions who received a four-year Student Support Services grant to help students with disabilities. The \$795,000 award supports students who have attention deficit disorder or physical, learning or emotional disabilities, according to Cseter.

Student Support Services–Disability Services offers academic monitoring, assistance with study and writing skills and help adjusting to campus. Eligible students may also receive assistance with adaptive equipment,

alternative testing, note taking and audio-recorded textbooks.

In addition, UW-Stout is home to a third TRIO program that encourages disadvantaged middle and high school-aged students to attend college. This program, Educational Talent Search, works with students in several Wisconsin school districts, including Bayfield, Cumberland, Hayward, Lac du Flambeau, Lakeland and Wittenberg-Biramwood.

Next year UW-Stout plans to pursue funding for additional TRIO programs, including one that helps graduates pursue doctoral studies, and Upward Bound, another program that encourages disadvantaged youth to attend college, according to Cseter.



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Studying Wisconsin peat bogs

Stephen Nold, biology department, received a \$532,000 five-year undergraduate research grant from the National Science Foundation's Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Program to support the study of bacteria that consume methane, a greenhouse gas. [See article in the Spring 2001 issue of the Stout Outlook.]

For more information on research activities of UW-Stout go to:
www.uwstout.edu/rps/

Meeting a growing need

New master’s degree in mental health counseling a prototype

Counseling is the second fastest growing field in the nation for which a master’s degree is required, according to *Careers 2000*, Kaplan Educational Centers and *Newsweek*. UW-Stout’s new master’s degree program in mental health counseling prepares students for this rapidly expanding profession.

“We are excited to offer this new program. It is the only 60-credit program in Wisconsin that leads to the clinical mental health certification,” said Gary Rockwood, director of the program.

Previously offered as a concentration in guidance and counseling, this new program provides students with the assessment, diagnosis, prevention and treatment skills necessary to help clients from diverse backgrounds with their behavioral and emotional difficulties.

Graduates from the program can gain employment as counselors, therapists, case managers and supervisors at

a variety of facilities, including community mental health centers, rehabilitation agencies, adolescent crisis centers, AODA treatment facilities, correctional institutions and shelter homes.

“We offer our students flexibility through a variety of specialized training options. They are able to tailor their degree to fit their interests and work in whatever specific field they choose,” said Rockwood.

Students who enter the mental health counseling program have the opportunity to select one of two tracks. The 48-credit community mental health/agency counseling option is designed to meet state and national requirements. The 60-credit clinical mental health counseling option can provide students with advanced national certification as clinical mental health counselors. The 60-credit program option allows students the opportunity to develop more specialized training in

various concentrations, including alcohol and drug abuse counseling, child and adolescent counseling, eating disorder counseling, career counseling, gerontological counseling or health psychology counseling.

According to Rockwood, UW-Stout’s new program is already generating a great deal of interest within his profession. “A former mental health counseling center director took a look at our program and said it is potentially the premier program in the Midwest and could be considered the prototype of what mental health counseling programs should be in the future,” he explained.

For more information, check out the program Web site at: <http://www.uwstout.edu/programs/msgc/mhc> or contact Rockwood at 715/232-2125.

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Business program receives national recognition

Only business programs in UW System to be IACBE accredited

UW-Stout’s general business administration program was recently awarded accreditation from the International Assembly for Collegiate Business Education. UW-Stout’s program is the only business program in the UW System to achieve this recognition, which covers a 10-year period.

“This accreditation means that the UW-Stout general business program has been exhaustively examined by business education professionals outside the university and has been found to be worthy of national-level recognition,” said Hugh Williamson, the program’s director.

IACBE is mission based and outcomes-assessment oriented. As such, the assembly encourages its accredited universities to develop policies, procedures and standards

that allow them to accomplish their distinctive missions and goals.

A unique aspect of UW-Stout’s general business administration program is its required 10- to 12-credit technical component that is related to a specific business or industry. General business students may choose from 21 technical components, including apparel design and manufacturing, packaging, international business, and construction management.

“Employers consistently praise this aspect of the UW-Stout business program because it helps ensure that graduates earn their keep the day they arrive on the job,” said Williamson.

An additional strength of the program is its internship requirement. Business students spend a minimum of two

months as junior managers in real-world businesses, during which they are paid and assigned managerial-level responsibilities, Williamson said. “Students attest that the experience is invaluable in helping them gain both practical knowledge and personal self-confidence as business professionals,” he added.

IACBE is dedicated to promoting and enhancing the quality of undergraduate business education. Headquartered in Overland Park, Kan., the association includes more than 100 colleges and universities located throughout the United States and in various other countries. Currently, IACBE’s international centers are located in Puerto Rico, Switzerland and Guam.

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Logo gains speed at the Mile

Alumnus helps market his alma mater

UW-Stout’s logo made a big appearance at the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series race held Saturday, June 30 at the Milwaukee Mile. Circle Bar Racing’s driver Rick Crawford sported the university’s symbol on the support column that connects the rear of his #14 Ford truck’s roof to its back quarter panel.

UW-Stout alumnus Bob Gella, president of National Motorsports Marketing, asked Crawford to display his alma mater’s logo after working with the marketing department of Crawford’s main sponsor, Milwaukee Electric Tool Corporation. According to Gella, placing a logo on that particular area of the vehicle costs \$75,000 a year in the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series. “A year consists of 24 races that are seen across the nation on ESPN,” he said.

Hans Timper, director of UW-Stout’s construction program, and John Vranak, of UW-Stout’s technology department, attended the Milwaukee Mile event to meet with the Crawford, Gella and Milwaukee Electric Tool representatives.

Founded in 1995, the NASCAR Craftsman Truck Series features pickup trucks that produce about 710 horsepower and reach about 190 mph on some tracks. Gella said the UW-Stout logo may make another appearance next year on a NASCAR truck at either the Milwaukee Mile or the Chicago Motor Speedway. “I am considering having a UW-Stout hospitality tent where alumni, instructors and students in the marketing

field could come and see a tangible product,” he said.

When Milwaukee Electric Tool indicated that they would like to build partnerships with vocational schools and universities in Wisconsin, Gella said he immediately thought of UW-Stout’s construction program. He then made a donation of Milwaukee Electric Tool power tools to the construction program on behalf of National Motorsports Marketing. According to Timper, the tools donated to the construction program include four circular saws, one chop saw and accessories.

Timper said he hopes that this is the beginning of a long-term relationship with Milwaukee Electric Tool. He pointed out that his program is eager to have a relationship with a manufacturer of high quality tools. He said he also hopes to bring both national and international exposure to both his program and the university.

Gella graduated in 1988 with a bachelor’s degree in general business administration and a concentration in packaging. He said he made these efforts to show his appreciation to UW-Stout for the education he received. “I really enjoyed my time there. The instructors and students at Stout make it a great place to prepare for the future,” he said.

As president of National Motorsports Marketing, Gella consults with companies that want to add NASCAR, or a NASCAR race team, to their advertising repertoire. “I pick and choose the teams that I represent,



Bob Gella, John Vranak, Rick Crawford and Hans Timper stand near Crawford’s racing truck

so I can remain objective when providing my clients with both the pros and cons about a direction that they may want to explore,” explained Gella. Before starting his business, he worked for a packaging distributor in Minneapolis for 12 years.

Welcome to UW-Stout's future

Agreement with Compaq launches laptop learning initiative



Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen and Wisconsin Governor Scott McCallum sign a seven-year mobility initiative with Compaq Computer Corporation. The initiative will provide a laptop computer and wireless access to all incoming UW-Stout freshmen beginning in the Fall of 2002.

Wisconsin Governor Scott McCallum joined UW-Stout and Compaq Computer Corporation (NYSE: CPQ) as they signed a \$25 million, seven-year mobility initiative in a ceremony on September 24, 2001.

Unprecedented in the University of Wisconsin system, the initiative will provide the latest Compaq enterprise-class notebooks to every UW-Stout freshman beginning Fall 2002. As part of the initiative, students will have wireless access to the Internet and the UW-Stout computer network environment throughout the campus including classrooms, hallways and, to a certain extent, outdoors.

The signing ceremony, held in Millennium Hall, marked the beginning in Wisconsin of what is expected to be the wave of the future in higher education.

"I applaud UW-Stout's initiative in implementing this program. Education is the key to a successful future. With a Higher Educational workforce, we can continue to attract the type of high paying jobs we need to build this state, and keep our best and brightest in Wisconsin where they belong," stated Gov. McCallum. "Wisconsin is committed to ensuring that all of our citizens reach their highest potential."

UW-Stout launched the pilot portion of its laptop program in Fall 2000. More than 50 freshmen in the technical communication and graphic communications management programs participated in the pilot. This year UW-Stout and Compaq, along with Vanguard Computers, will focus on fine tuning UW-Stout's infrastructure and preparing UW-Stout faculty to

incorporate the new technology into their academic programs.

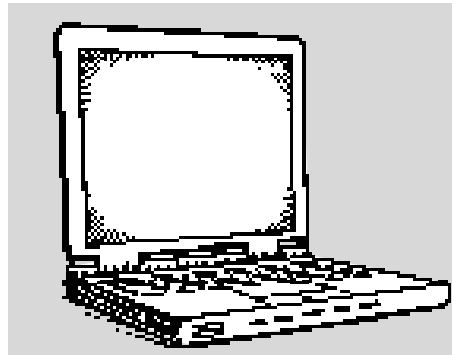
Many of UW-Stout's faculty will redesign courses to take full advantage of laptops as learning tools. Instructors also may choose to supplement their textbooks with electronic resources such as DVDs and CD-ROMs. In some classes, students will learn to use the specialized software employed in their fields of study.

"Technology is driving change at an extremely fast pace. But, when used effectively, it can stimulate learning, enrich lives and provide greater opportunity for the future," said UW-Stout Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen. "An innovator for more than a century, UW-Stout is committed to its vision of delivering hands-on, minds-on learning. We have partnered with Compaq and Vanguard because we are confident that their breadth and depth of IT experience will ensure the success of our vision."

"Partnering with forward-looking institutions such as UW-Stout is critical to Compaq," said Bill Weaver, vice president of US Sales for Compaq Computer Corporation. "Access to technology and computer-based skills as well as the ability to use this technology is essential to training our future workforce. Compaq, and indeed the entire high-tech industry, rely heavily on skilled workers such as UW-Stout's graduates to create innovative products and get them to market quickly."

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For more information on UW-Stout's laptop learning initiative go to:
www.uwstout.edu/laptop

In addition to the basic advantages of word processing, presentation software and e-mail applications, students will use their laptop computers to work with instructors and classmates; conduct research using Internet and electronic library resources; work in online discussion groups; obtain course information; and submit class assignments.



Millennium Hall opens

New facility supports advanced technologies



A grand opening ceremony held May 4 marked the completion of Millennium Hall (above), UW-Stout's new \$8.6 million technology-based facility.

Millennium Hall offers the capacity to train students, faculty and staff in the most current technologies and to provide quality distance education opportunities to adult students. In addition to housing the campus's technical and support staff, the innovative facility contains advanced technology for Web-based instructional development, multimedia production, and audio and video support.

The new building is home to the Nakatani Center for Learning Technologies, which provides faculty further opportunities to integrate the latest teaching innovations into their classroom. In preparation for UW-Stout's laptop learning initiative, classrooms in Millennium Hall are equipped with Internet ports and electrical outlets at every seat.

Millennium Hall is also an available resource for area businesses, industries and educational institutions, who may chose to use the facility to conduct training or give presentations to both local and distant sites. Distance education classrooms (below) in the building contain teleconferencing equipment, a video player and recorder, and a DVD player. The rooms are also equipped with a personal computer with an Internet connection, CD ROM player and basic software.



Making News

Baldrige team makes site visit

For the second year in a row, UW-Stout received a site visit for the prestigious Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. UW-Stout is one of four institutions in the “education” category to receive a site visit this year.

Established by law in 1987, the award is named for the former secretary of commerce. The award was established to promote the awareness of performance excellence. It promotes information sharing on successful performance strategies and the benefits derived from implementation of these strategies.

“We are very pleased that we were again recipients of a site visit for the Malcolm Baldrige award,” Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen said. “It represents that we are recognized as a national leader in quality improvement, and a real tribute to our faculty, staff and students.”

The site team conducted a campus visit in mid-October, and winners will be announced in November. Normally the award is presented to winning institutions by the President of the United States.

People You Know

Adekola named International program director

Abel Adekola has been named director of International Programs at UW-Stout, replacing Steve Snyder, who retired recently. Adekola has been teaching international business, management and marketing courses at UW-Stout since 1995. In his new position, he is responsible for developing additional international opportunities for students, faculty and staff, and for maintaining the existing study abroad programs. He will also promote and help plan international education on campus, supervise student services for international students, and coordinate international grants and training projects.

Gomke selected for diversity award

Monte Gomke, a residence hall manager, received the university’s Diversity Award for 2000–01. The award recognizes Gomke for his work in promoting diversity and diversity education at the university, and for implementing the initiatives of Plan 2008 for the Housing and Residence Life department.

Graduate Cooperative Achievement Awards

Two UW-Stout staff members and two graduate students recently received Cooperative Achievement Awards from the university’s Graduate Student Council. The awards recognize their joint research, publishing and professional activities.

Kristina Gorbatenko-Roth, psychology, and **Rebecca Childs**, a graduate student from Eau Claire majoring in applied psychology, received the award for evaluating the STEPS technology program at UW-Stout and at three other universities.

Denise Maricle, counseling and psychology, and **Jessica Dempze**, a graduate student from Wisconsin Rapids majoring in guidance and counseling, received the award for their research article titled “An Investigation into Wisconsin Public Schools Sexual Abuse Intervention Programs.” Maricle and Dempze also presented their research at the National Association of School Psychologists Convention.

Miller Wins State Award

Judy Miller, Advisement and Career Centers, recently received the Wisconsin College Personnel Association Support Staff Recognition Award. The award is designed to show appreciation to one of the support staff members on campuses in Wisconsin, such as custodial, administrative assistant or food service employee. Miller was nominated for her outstanding service to the students and staff of Stout by the employees of the Advisement and Career Centers.

Moen elected to NCCI Council

Diane Moen, vice chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Services, was elected to the Executive Council of the National Consortium for Continuous Improvement in Higher Education. Founded in 1999, NCCI was created to advance administrative and academic excellence in higher education by identifying, promoting, supporting and sharing effective organizational practices among member institutions. NCCI is a not-for-profit endeavor whose Executive Council members volunteer their time to advance its goals.

Promotions and tenure announced

Promotions in rank and tenure designations for faculty and staff members were announced following action by the UW System Board of Regents.

Promoted to professor are **Abel Adekola**, business; **Marian J. Ellison**, mathematics, statistics and computer science; **Janette M. Hare**, human development, family living and community educational services; **Bharath M. Josiam**, hospitality and tourism; and **Louis Milanesi**, psychology.

Promoted to associate professor are **Steven Deckelman**, mathematics, statistics and computer science; **Brian J. Finder**, industrial management; and **Forrest Schultz**, chemistry.

Adekola and **Finder** also received tenure, along with **Marc Kallsen** and **Sheri Klein**, art and design; **Robert Davies**, hospitality and tourism; **Howard Parkhurst**, education, school counseling and school psychology; **David Rosenthal**, rehabilitation and counseling; **Rajiv Asthana**, **Danny Bee** and **David Brenholt**, technology; and **Thomas Lacksonen**, industrial management.

Schuler named to Who’s Who

Robert Schuler, English and philosophy department, was recently selected to appear in the 56th edition of “Who’s Who in America.” Schuler also appears in “Contemporary Authors,” “A Directory of American Poets and Fiction Writers,” “The International Authors and Writer’s Who’s Who,” “Who’s Who in U.S. Writers, Editors and Poets,” “2000 Outstanding Writers of the Twentieth Century,” and “The International Who’s Who in Poetry and Poets Encyclopedia.”

A transformational year

The UW-Stout campus is virtually exploding with activity to begin the 2001-02 academic year—truly a transformational year in our university’s history. We have made a very important, historic decision to require freshmen to have a laptop computer as part of the admissions eligibility for the fall of 2002. Within four years, all 8,000 students will have a portable computer—a challenging yet exciting requirement, for it will fundamentally revolutionize the way students learn and the way faculty teach. This will guarantee that our graduates will be among the best prepared in the country for 21st century professionals. This year will be the final push for faculty and staff training, appropriate preparation for the classrooms, and the final plans to have the best service possible to ensure the success of the program. We are partnering with Compaq, a world class, state-of-the-art company that brings its commitment and expertise to our campus.

If you have not been to campus in a while, be prepared for tremendous change in our physical plant. An incredible new recreation/athletic complex now rounds out the campus. The Don and Nona Williams Stadium is a magnificent addition to the south campus, and it is the best and most modern of any in Wisconsin. Millennium Hall, our fiber hub and distance education center for the campus, is not only attractive but very functional and very modern. New parking lots rim the campus and, probably for the first time in our history, we have good and adequate parking for faculty, staff and students.

While all of this is necessary and essential, the real excitement remains in the classroom, in the labs, and in the research by our talented faculty. We had two very important “firsts” last year—our first NSF grant of more than \$500,000, and our first grant from the American Heart Association. Stephen Nold and Scott Zimmerman, both relatively new staff members in the biology department, represent the kind of young, dynamic scientists we are attracting to campus—individuals who combine teaching and research in creative ways. They join the ranks of people such as Rajiv Asthana in the technology department and David Rosenthal in the department of rehabilitation and counseling—two outstanding scholars. Asthana recently received funding from the National Research Council/NSF in a collaborative effort with Professor Natalis Sobczak from Poland. Rosenthal’s article, titled “Effects of Client Race on Clinical Perception and Judgment,” was recognized as the outstanding article in the year 2000 by the American Rehabilitation Counseling Association. In addition, he was awarded the prestigious Switzer Fellowship for Merit from the U.S. Department of Education.

So you can see that our outstanding faculty are busy, the physical plant is changing dramatically, and the quality of our programs and our vision will continue to make this an outstanding university.

Chancellor’s Message



Charles W. Sorensen

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Key administrative positions filled

Ross D. Olson has been appointed director of Budget, Planning and Analysis at UW-Stout. As director, Olson will be responsible for institutional research, studies and statistical management; financial planning and budgetary operations; facilities planning and capital budget; and organizational assessment and improvement.

Before coming to UW-Stout, Olson was the director of finance and administration, Information Services, for Northwest Airlines in Eagan, Minn. Prior to that, he served as a consultant in litigation and bankruptcy reorganization for Price-waterhouse Coopers in Minneapolis.

Olson received a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and statistics in 1987 and a master’s degree in business administration in 1990, both from the University of Minnesota.

After working out East for more than 20 years, **John Lui** recently returned to UW-Stout, his alma mater, as executive director of the Stout Vocational Rehabilitation Institute. In the early to mid-seventies,

Lui earned his bachelor’s and master’s degrees in vocational rehabilitation at UW-Stout.

After graduating, Lui left for Massachusetts to run a hospital’s rehabilitation center. Next, he joined a few of his colleagues and started his own practice in New Hampshire. Born and raised in Hong Kong, Lui has traveled all over the world to present his ideas on disability management, integrated care and total absence management.

SVRI houses four sub-units, the Research and Training Center, the Continuing Education Center, the Assistive Technology and Assessment Center, and the Projects with Industry Center. as an Emergency Medical Technician for the town he lived in. He also taught new ski patrollers and senior patroller candidates the medical skills they need. Currently, he is searching for a local ski hill where he can continue to volunteer.

“I enjoy skiing and the camaraderie between the team members. Also, working with ill and injured people is very rewarding,” said Lui.

Wesley L. Face 1929 – 2001

Wesley L. Face, 71, died Aug. 30 at his home in Menomonie.

He received his bachelor’s degree from Northern State College in 1951. He was a veteran of the U.S. Air Force, honorably discharged in 1954. He taught high school industrial arts from 1954–56. He received his master’s degree from UW-Stout in 1956 and his doctor of education degree from the University of Illinois in 1963. He joined the faculty at UW-Stout in 1957, where he served as department chair of the metals department in 1964, assistant dean of the Graduate College from 1966–69, vice president of Academic Affairs from 1970–73 and vice chancellor from 1973–1990. He also taught graduate courses in psychology and education from 1990–92.

He received the Outstanding Teacher Award in

1964; co-founded and co-directed the American Industry Project, a new approach to industrial arts, from 1963–69; co-chaired the National Convention for the American Industrial Arts Association in 1968; and received the James Huff Stout Distinguished Professorship Award in 1990.

Survivors include his wife, Cyrilla; two daughters, Paula (Mark) Reeves of Amsterdam, the Netherlands, and Tamara (Gary) Bosiacki of Eagan, Minn.; four grandchildren; and one brother, Knolen Face of Forest Lake, Minn.

Memorials are requested to the Stout University Foundation or St. Joseph’s Handicap Access Fund.



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Blue Devil Report

Athletic Hall of Fame inducts six



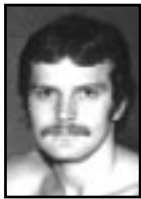
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Longevity is a key word for the Class of 2001 UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame Inductees. Five of the six inductees made immediate impact on the Blue Devil athletic landscape as first year performers and continued to put their names out front throughout their careers. The sixth, Orv Nelson, who was named to the Hall of Fame as an honorary member, was an athlete at Stout, but it was his work as a faculty athletic representative and Blue Devil backer for nearly 40 years that earned his way into the Hall.

Dan Doucette

A two-time national runner-up, Dan Doucette set the stage for an up-and-coming Blue Devil track program. After transferring to Stout from Eau Claire where he placed in the top three in the WSUC outdoor meet as a freshman, Doucette went on to win the WSUC 400-outdoor hurdle title in 1986, then defended his title in 1987. Doucette went on to place second at the NCAA Division III outdoor championships that season, then redshirted the following season. Doucette qualified to the national meet again in the 400-hurdles, and took his second runner-up award. Doucette won conference titles in the indoor 200-hurdles in 1989, indoor 220-hurdles in 1987, the outdoor 400-hurdles in 1986 and 1987 and 400-meter run in 1986. Doucette also qualified to the national indoor meet in 1989 in the open 400 and the 55-hurdles. Upon graduation, Doucette held five school records, of which three are still standing — the outdoor 400-hurdles (52.52), and the indoor records of the 55-hurdles (7.71) and 200-hurdles (24.76). Doucette is a packaging engineer at Oscar Mayer Foods in Madison.

Scott Fredrickson

The all-time leading career scorer and receiver in Stout football history, Scott Fredrickson was a four-time all-conference pick at three different positions—return specialist (1986), tight end (1987) and wide receiver (1988, 89). Fredrickson was a two-time NCAA Division III All-American and was a first team NAIA All-American in 1989. Fredrickson holds a commanding lead for career reception yards, hauling in 233 passes for 3390 yards, which was second in NCAA Division III when he hung up the cleats. He had two 1,000 yard receiving years, setting a school record with 1,185 yards as a sophomore and racking up 1,102 as a senior. Fredrickson scored 29 touchdowns — including 23 receiving touchdowns — for a total of 178 points. Fredrickson held eight school records and currently holds seven.

Chris Larson

A three-time honorable mention All-American, Chris Larson was one of the Blue Devils' leaders during a four year stretch that saw Stout on the top of the conference baseball standings. Larson, a first baseman, was a four-time all-conference pick, and three times was named to the NAIA Area 4 all-region team as Stout qualified twice to the NAIA World Series, placing fifth in 1989 and seventh in 1990. Stout swept the WSUC Northern

Division title all four years of Larson's career and was the WSUC overall champion in 1990. The team captain in 1989 and 1990, Larson's name appears on almost every Blue Devil statistical record list and he is the career leader in runs batted in (141) and doubles (37). Larson is currently fourth on the career list in hits (174), home runs (26), at-bats (485) and walks (79). Currently residing in Menomonie, Larson is employed by Celestica in Chippewa Falls as a production operations manager.

Dale LaViolette

A 10-time all-conference swimmer, Dale LaViolette scattered his conference titles around, winning at least one WSUC title during each of his four years, topping his career as a senior when he qualified to the NAIA national meet in four events — the 100- and 200-yard backstroke, 400-medley and 50-freestyle. During his career, LaViolette, who qualified to nationals all four years, earned seven NAIA All-America titles. A two-time team captain and most valuable swimmer, LaViolette set school and conference records in the 100- and 200-yard backstroke. The 1977 WSUC scholar-athlete with a 3.9 GPA, LaViolette taught at Neenah High School for three years where he began the swimming program as a first year teacher. After working four years in the construction field, LaViolette returned to the classroom in 1984 at Gibraltar High School where he coached boys and girls cross country teams, taking a team to state all nine years and finishing with two runner-up titles. LaViolette began the High Tech program at the high school in 1994 and currently coaches summer swimming programs at the local YMCA in Sturgeon Bay.

Karen Mueser

As the first four-year female athlete at Stout, Karen Mueser has to be considered a groundbreaker in women's athletics at the university. Mueser participated in gymnastics from 1966–70 when there were five all-around events—vault, uneven bars, balance beam, floor exercise and trampoline. A native of Chicago where she competed in the German Athletic Club, Mueser led Stout to the state intermediate gymnastics championship, beating perennial favorite La Crosse State. Mueser went on to coach gymnastics while teaching junior high school in the Chicago area, and has been employed by Sears, Roebuck & Company as a senior product engineer.

Ritland receives distinguished service athletic award

From the first day he stepped onto the UW-Stout campus in the mid-1960s, Michael Ritland was involved in Blue Devil athletics. For his efforts, Ritland has been selected to receive the UW-Stout Distinguished Service Athletic Award.

"On the first day I arrived in 1964, I went down to see (Stout) president (William "Bud") Micheels and he said 'I just happen to have an opening on the athletic committee,'" Ritland said, and he was hooked into being a Blue Devil.

Besides being a strong supporter of the



Ritland

athletic program as a fan over the years, Ritland helped to organize the Athletic Hall of Fame, which he chaired from 1978–2000, was a scorekeeper at men's basketball games and served as the university's faculty athletic representative to the conference.

Ritland was also known to champion the Blue Devils' cause in his classroom. Ritland worked within the graduate college his first 14 years at the university, working in guidance and counseling. He was the assistant dean of the College of Education from 1972–78, then returned to the classroom to teach human resource management and public relations classes.

Orv Nelson

A member of the 1954–55 football teams, Orv Nelson, a 1956 Stout graduate, returned to the university in 1963 to join the faculty. That same year, Nelson joined the athletic committee and went on to become one of the Blue Devils' biggest supporters over the years. Upon the retirement of faculty athletic representative Dwight Chinook three years later, Nelson was appointed Stout's faculty athletic representative and served in that capacity for more than 25 years. During his tenure, Nelson, who three times served as the conference faculty athletic representative chair, was part of a group that wrestled with a wide variety of areas, including eligibility cases, budget reductions, campus budget issues, UW-Stout enrollment caps and the explosion and popularity of women's athletics. Over the years, Nelson has been an active member of University booster clubs, helped to establish the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame and also helped to establish the Menomonie Area Youth Baseball Association.

Explore more online:

Information about past inductees is available online at the Athletics Web site. Go to:

www.uwstout.edu/athletics/hof/hof.html

Blue Devils Online



<http://www.uwstout.edu/athletics/>

Alumni can access information about UW-Stout athletics from anywhere in the world any time of day through the Internet. The Blue Devil Athletics home page includes schedules, preseason previews, coaches' biographies, history, records and season review stories. Also available are team rosters, feature stories, Hall of Fame, and up-to-date scores.



Jamie Spielman (left) celebrates a tackle. Eric Moe (right) intercepted a River Falls pass to clinch the Blue Devils' 26-23 homecoming win, on October 20.

From the Archives

Homecoming traditions abound

By Kevin Thorie, University Archivist

Homecoming, one of the oldest and happiest traditions at Stout, can trace its ancestry back to the annual Night Shirt Parade. The parade was usually held on a Friday night prior to the year's most important football game. Students would dress in their nightshirt (*later they could also wear costumes*) and parade around the campus and downtown Menomonie before returning to Stout to sing songs and have pep talks around a bonfire. The tradition of a nightshirt parade was to remain a part of Stout's homecoming until 1929 when it merged with the snake dance.

The first official homecoming was held at Stout on March 30 and 31, 1917. The celebration was held in conjunction with the dedication of the home economics building (*later named Harvey Hall*). Alumni from across the Midwest attended the celebration that included speeches, tours, musical entertainment and a banquet. It was also at that time that the Stout Alumni Association was formed with Ben Leuchtenberger as the first president.

Less than a month after the first official homecoming, the United States entered World War I. This, combined with the death of Stout President Lorenzo Dow Harvey, may have prevented the school from having another homecoming until 1922.

Many of the traditions that would become features of future homecomings began in 1922. In addition to the snake dance and bonfire, an alumni breakfast, pep rally and dance occurred. According to the *Stoutonia*, fun and excitement was experienced by all. The only negative aspect was the poor officiating that led to a 3-0 loss to River Falls. It is interesting to note that the homecoming game was one of the last football games of the year—largely due to the number of injuries sustained on the field.

By 1923, homecoming was firmly entrenched at Stout. The new president, Burton Nelson, was a strong supporter of athletics and was very popular with both students and alumni. In that year, a parade and homecoming play were added to the festivities. In spite of a 39-0 loss at the hands of Superior, the *Stoutonia* proclaimed: "Homecoming Surpasses All Expectations."

During the following decade, even during the start of the Great Depression, homecoming grew in popularity. The celebration was somewhat curtailed in 1925 out of respect for the death of President Nelson's wife. However, that was also the year that Stout won its first homecoming game, 6-0 over Superior. New activities added to the celebration included women's archery and field hockey games. A tradition also began for each incoming freshmen class to build a bigger and better bonfire than its predecessors.

What made homecoming of 1935 extra-special was the dedication of the new Burton E. Nelson Athletic Field. The plans for the new field were approved in 1933 and work began almost immediately. They included a large field for interschool games and a smaller practice field.

Several names had been suggested for the new field, but the Stout Student Association voted unanimously to name it after the man who had worked so hard to see this dream realized.

It was in 1937 that a homecoming queen first made an appearance on this campus. Lorene Graslie was crowned as Harvest Queen at that year's bonfire following an election by the student body.

Two years later, in keeping with the homecoming theme, "The American Way," Betty Coed and Joe College replaced the queen. Actually, three people were elected as Joe College (*Tom Keough, Pat Murphy and Dick Trezona*), and three were elected Betty Coed (*Betty Coe, Betty Smith and Virginia Wild*) as well. It was their job to lead the torchlight parade and light the bonfire.

As might be expected, World War II had a major affect on homecoming activities. In both 1943 and 1944, the football game was cancelled. Homecoming activities were largely confined to a bonfire, picnic and softball game. The effects of the war carried into 1946 when the alumni banquet was cancelled due to a lack of meat products to serve guests.

In the years following the war, the Stout campus expanded rapidly. As the number of students and alumni expanded, so did homecoming. By 1956 the homecoming parade



Though there was no football game held in 1943, Peggy Trezona (*Above center, with "V" for crown*) reigned over the "Onward to Victory" homecoming celebration. (*Left*) The Stout band and Pom-Pon squad march in the 1970 parade.

had grown to more than 30 floats, with bands participating from all over the area. The following year the number of alumni who returned exceeded 500.

Through the years, there have been a series of problems associated with homecoming. As early as 1916, Stout students complained about being pelted with eggs by local high school students during the snake dance. A more persistent problem was the efforts of after-hours bar patrons attempting to close I-94 in the 1970s and 1980s.

Perhaps the most serious incident occurred in 1960. That year a number of students from Eau Claire came to Stout to prematurely set fire to the bonfire. During the melee, with Stout students guarding the wood, several students were burned and four were hospitalized. The entire campus was thrown into turmoil as attempts were made to locate any missing and possibly hurt students, and to put out the fire at the fairgrounds.

"Highlights in Heritage" was the appropriate theme for the 1967 homecoming. That was the start of a yearlong celebration of the 75th anniversary of the founding of Stout. During the Diamond Jubilee, it was estimated that Stout topped the 10,000 mark for the number of students who had received degrees from Stout. At the close of the celebration, during homecoming of 1968, so many alumni returned to Stout that all of the hotels were filled. Special buses had to be commissioned to transport alumni from hotels in Eau Claire to the campus.

During the decades of the 1970s and 1980s, homecoming reflected many of the changes that were taking place in society. Traditional homecoming activities such as the parade remained important, but greater emphasis was placed on concerts. Among the well-known bands and performers who played during homecoming were the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band and Billy Joel. It was also in 1970 that Stout had its first male homecoming candidate, Robert Cavey.

It was unfortunate that in the late 1970s and early 1980s the activities of a very small number of students threatened the continuation of homecoming. The excesses committed during parades, at the game and, most often, after the bars closed, were usually alcohol related. As a result of these activities, some schools pulled their bands from the parade, some people refused to attend football games, and some even called for a cancellation of all homecoming activities.

Surprisingly, in many ways, this crisis brought the City of Menomonie and the university closer together. Through their combined efforts, the problems were slowly alleviated. One of the most successful efforts was the the Bash on the

Grass—an alcohol free concert and party.

Many positive homecoming events also took place during those decades. For example, the new Home Economics Building and the Merle M. Price Commons were dedicated. Also, in 1978, the UW-Stout Athletic Hall of Fame was created with the following charter members: Alvern Damberg, Dave Stori, Harley Hesselman, Gale Woelffer, Bob Young, Glenn Harke, Mike McHugh, Mike Thompson, Mel Coleman, John Peterson, Dwight Chinnock and Ray C. Johnson.

In 1990, with much of the turbulence of the previous years left behind, Stout prepared to celebrate its centennial. The theme for that year was "100 Cheers for 100 Years." This proved to be one of the largest and most successful homecoming celebrations in Stout's history. Dozens of activities were planned for both students and alumni. Even the weather proved to be perfect. To top it off, Stout defeated Stevens Point 25-15 in football. That year a roving reporter for the *Stoutonia* asked, "Is Homecoming more for the student or the alumni?" Lance Keeley, an industrial technology major, responded simply, "Both—because that's what homecoming is all about." He was right. Homecoming began as, and continues to be, one of the happiest traditions for both Stout alumni and students.

Explore more online:

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www.uwstout.edu/geninfo/history

The University Archives

Located in UW-Stout's Library Learning Center, the University Archives mostly houses historically valuable records of the various campus departments and offices. Personal papers of Stout alumni, students, and faculty are also in the collection, as well as the records of Stout organizations. An electronic database allows for name and subject searches of many university publications.

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Menomonie, WI 54751



Early homecoming celebrations included a snake dance (*above, 1924*) and bonfire (*right, 1935*). Each incoming freshmen class would attempt to build a bigger and better bonfire than its predecessors.

Stout Foundation Report

Outstanding Service Award given to Brunner

Jeanette Brunner, who began work in the UW-Stout library 27 years ago, was the first recipient of the David P. and Kay Barnard Family Library Service Award. The award was established to recognize library staff members who have demonstrated outstanding achievement and made outstanding contributions serving the information needs of UW-Stout faculty, staff and students.

The Barnards noted, "People are the heart and soul of a good library operation. Many times we don't recognize the talent and abilities of our staff. The success of this library is a reflection of Joe Jax's leadership and those who work in the library. We're so pleased to be able to support this award."

The Barnards established the \$30,000 endowment through the Stout University Foundation. Pat Reisinger, vice chancellor for Development and Alumni Services, remarked, "This endowment is a wonderful gift which will continue to recognize the library personnel and their respective achievements. The staff is vital to the educational efforts of this campus. Every student and department utilizes and accesses information in the library often with the help of the staff. We take them for granted too often."

Brunner is currently the senior computer technology specialist serving the Library Learning Center. She oversees and maintains nine laptops for student checkout, 160 public computers and 52 staff computers. One of her peers explained, "Without Jeanette, the library wouldn't be able to function. She's always willing to drop what she's doing when a problem arises so that the problem will be fixed. She has the knowledge and expertise to do her job well and keep things running smoothly."



(l-r) Jeanette Brunner, Kay Barnard and David Barnard

Brunner is a graduate of the Madison Business College. Prior to joining the library, Brunner was employed by the Wisconsin Motor Vehicle Department and the Department of Transportation.

Joe Jax, director of the Library Learning Center, stated, "Jeanette is the ultimate, loyal employee and deserves the award and recognition. She has adapted to a tremendous variety of job responsibilities since she began working in the library. With her innovative leadership, the Stout library has always been number one in information access."

Brunner thanked the Barnards, the Stout University Foundation, Joe Jax and the library staff for the award. "This job has afforded me the opportunity to work with some great people, not only the library staff but also people in many other departments including the university's technical staff. I am honored, and I'll continue doing what I'm doing the only way I know how until each job is done," she said.

Dahlgren and Price professorships awarded

Three UW-Stout faculty members have been named Dahlgren Professors, following action by the UW System Board of Regents.

They are Bruce Kuehl, professor in human development, family living and community educational services; Howard Lee, B.S. '68, M.S. '69, professor of communications, education and training; and Patrick Liebergen, professor in the speech communication, foreign languages, theatre and music department.

Selection for the professorships is made on the basis of an individual's outstanding abilities and promise. The Dahlgren Professorships are two years in length and provide \$7,500. Funds for these professorships were awarded through the Stout University Foundation Inc.

The Dahlgren Professorships are in honor and memory of Reinhold and Borghild Eng Dahlgren, 1917 and 1918 Stout graduates, who, through a bequest, provided significant monies to underwrite the annual professorships. Emphasis in this award is to provide resources to improve the recipient's teaching and may include professional travel, attendance at special meetings and conferences, supplies, equipment,



Kuehl



Lee



Liebergen



Bomar

books, reports, periodicals, computer time or secretarial or student help.

Charles Bomar, an associate professor in the biology department, has been named the university's Maybelle Ranney Price Professor. The professorship is one year in length.

The professorship was established in memory of Maybelle Ranney Price, who died in 1993. Price received her bachelor's degree in 1945 and master's degree in 1957 from Stout.

The stipend of \$3,500 is used for academic pursuits that contribute to UW-Stout's academic mission, including scholarly activities, public service and instruction.

Funds for both the Dahlgren and Price professorships are awarded through the Stout University Foundation.

Stout University Foundation

Scholarships

Herman Arneson Applied Science Scholarship established

In honor and memory of Herman Arneson, retired biology department faculty member, family and friends have established an Applied Science Scholarship. Arneson, 95, died this past May.

He graduated from Pelican Rapids High School, received his biology degree from Northland College and earned a masters degree in entomology from the University of Minnesota. "Arne" was a committed educator for more than 40 years. He began his teaching career at Bemidji High School and then taught at Valley City Teachers College. In 1945 he moved his family to Menomonie where he taught biology, physiology and genetics at Stout until 1975.

"Arne" was active in developing the Stout University Foundation, and served as its treasurer for 15 years. "Arneson was instrumental in the formation of the foundation, and he was an excellent financial manager through those 15 years. He continued to monitor the activities of the foundation and was very proud of its successes," Chancellor Sorensen noted.

John Murphy, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, stated "We're honored and excited to be able to offer a scholarship in Herman Arneson's name. He was a dedicated faculty member who loved to teach and loved helping others. This scholarship certainly will provide help to talented students majoring in applied science, the newest major at Stout."

Individuals interested in contributing to the Herman Arneson scholarship fund may contact the Stout University Foundation at 715/232-1151.



Arneson

Russell J. Lasocki Scholarship established

Russ Lasocki MS '81 lost his battle with cancer this spring. He was a loyal employee of the university for 20 years, as a member of the Instructional Technology Services department.

In memory, friends and family members have established a Telecommunication Systems Scholarship fund. The telecommunications program at UW-Stout has an enrollment of more than 150 students. "This scholarship dedicated to students enrolled in telecommunications is an important statement related to the viability of the program, and we're very pleased Russ' family and friends have restricted the scholarship to a program related to his vocation," said Bob Meyer, dean of the College of Technology, Engineering and Management.

"Russ was the epitome of a loyal employee. He appreciated the challenges of working with the latest technological equipment. One of his most interesting challenges was working on the technology plans for distance learning classrooms in Millennium Hall," stated Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen.

The first scholarship was awarded at the September 4 scholarship awards ceremony. Contributions to the scholarship may be made to the Stout University Foundation, P.O. Box 790, Menomonie, WI 54751.



Lasocki

Chris Huston Endowed Construction Scholarship Fund

In 1991, Chris Huston was the very first student to graduate with a major in construction. His family was so pleased with the education and experiences Chris received at UW-Stout, that Richard Huston and Glenda Taylor Huston established the Chris Huston Endowed Construction Scholarship to honor both Chris and the construction faculty at UW-Stout. The first \$1,250 scholarship was awarded in the fall of 2001. Chris and his family worked with Hans Timper, construction program director, to develop criteria for the scholarship. "The Huston's generosity will be a great benefit for construction students at UW-Stout," Timper said.



Chris Huston, Glenda Taylor-Huston and Richard Huston

High tech call center in operation

Many thanks to all the alumni and parents who showed their support of UW-Stout during the 2001 Annual Fund Campaigns. Our 2002 campaigns are guaranteed to be very exciting as we move to a computerized calling system. This upgrade will ensure more efficiency in our fundraising efforts, and our student callers are eager to contact you using our new technology. Please bear with the student who contacts you, as they are just learning to navigate the new system.

Support from both alumni and parents are needed more than ever as state support decreases and university needs increase. With tuition costs rising by seven percent, students are in great need of scholarship assistance. Sixty-five percent of undergraduate students will graduate with loans in excess of \$12,000.



First row (l-r): Ryan Kimps and Leigh Banks. Second row (l-r): Julie McMurtry, Anna Johnston, Carrie Mahoney and Brianne Goehner. Back row (l-r): Oksana Nazhet-dinova, Jessica Frings, Amy Larson, Rich Gehrman, Jen Rudiger.

Your support maintains UW-Stout's "margin of excellence" for generations to come. With scholarship support, we are able to attract talented students, and the faculty grants, professorships and chairs that continue to support faculty and staff initiatives.

A great year to give!

Tax rebates, lower income tax rates, and reduced estate tax rates as a result of the Economic Growth and Tax Relief and Reconciliation Act of 2001 (EGTRRA), have given all Americans something to cheer about this year. We all welcome the prospect of having more disposable income.

In addition to leaving more money in our pockets in the future, EGTRRA makes this a terrific year for making charitable gifts. Alumni and friends give generously to the Stout University Foundation because you believe in the mission of UW-Stout and the difference it makes in the lives of students. We give because we believe in Stout, but we all like to maximize the tax benefits of giving. Here are a few ways to maximize your giving and tax situation before December 31, 2001:

Donate your tax rebate

That “extra” \$300 to \$600 you received in late summer makes a wonderful charitable gift.

- \$300 can provide an online subscription to a technical journal for faculty and students
- \$500 can purchase a personalized tile for the new recreation complex at UW-Stout
- \$600 can provide an annual scholarship for a student that may make it possible for him or her to complete a degree

In return, you receive a charitable tax deduction and our grateful thanks.

Double up your giving

The first drop in income tax rates took place on July 1, 2001, when the tax rate on the first

Gift	Income Tax Deduction	Capital Gains Tax	Total Tax Savings
\$10,000 Cash	\$4,000	\$0	\$4,000
Sell \$10,000 in securities with \$2,000 cost basis, donate cash	\$4,000	\$1,600	\$2,400
Donate \$10,000 in securities	\$4,000	Avoid \$1,600	\$5,600

These examples assume you are in a 40 percent combined federal and state income tax bracket.

\$6,000 of income for a single person and first \$12,000 of income for a married couple dropped from 15 percent to 10 percent. The next drop will take place January 1, 2002, and the rates will continue to slowly decline over the next four years.

When you make a substantial contribution to UW-Stout by the end of 2001, you will receive a larger charitable tax deduction this year than next because of the higher tax rates. So, double up your giving by year end to benefit both yourself and UW-Stout.

Give appreciated securities

Stretch the benefits of this year’s higher tax deduction even further by making your gift with appreciated securities. If you donate appreciated securities that you’ve held long-term (*for more than one year*) to a qualified charitable organization, you completely avoid the capital gains tax. As a non-profit organization, the Stout

University Foundation can sell the securities tax-free (*see chart*). You receive a charitable deduction on your income taxes for the full fair market value of the asset, up to 30 percent of your adjusted gross income.

Establish a charitable gift annuity

This year, interest rates are low and tax rates are high. By establishing a charitable gift annuity with the Stout University Foundation by the end of 2001, you can receive a great interest rate on your investment in the future of UW-Stout, and receive a substantial income tax deduction for your gift.

A gift annuity is a contract between the donor and the Stout University Foundation that provides advantages for both. The donor makes a gift of a minimum of \$25,000 to Stout University Foundation and receives the following benefits:

- Guaranteed fixed payments for life, a portion of which is nontaxable
- Charitable income tax deduction for a portion of the gift
- Reduced capital gains taxes on gifts of appreciated property
- Support of a program at UW-Stout
- Membership in the Bowman Society
- A reduction in federal estate taxes

EGTTRA has made this a great year to make a major gift to Stout! To learn how a gift to Stout can benefit both you and the university, please contact us using the form on this page.

Brejcha reaches goal with annuity

When Matt Brejcha B.S. ’51, M.S. ’57 decided to give back to Stout, he chose to do it with a charitable gift annuity.

“I had been thinking about the past and about all the good things that have happened to me,” said Brejcha. “I just needed to give something back to Stout. Stout has all the things that a school should have; it’s small in size and has a great program.”

Brejcha established a charitable gift annuity for he and his wife, Patricia, as his way to give to Stout. To maximize the tax benefits of giving, he transferred publicly traded stock to the Stout University Foundation. By establishing the gift annuity with stock instead of cash, Brejcha was able to avoid part of the capital gains tax on the appreciation, and spread the tax he owed over a period of years. The gift annuity will provide he and his wife Patricia a guaranteed income for life. That income is higher than what he had been receiving in dividends from his stock. Because Brejcha is 72 and his wife is 69, they receive a rate of 6.7 percent on their investment, much better than current rates on bank CDs.

Best of all, Brejcha made an investment in UW-Stout that will benefit students in the future. He elected to direct the gift portion of his annuity to the John and Kathryn Jarvis Scholarship Fund.

When he transferred to the Stout Institute from the General Motors Institute, Brejcha was befriended by John Jarvis, then a professor at Stout. In those days, students and faculty socialized together in the student union. The two played Pinochle together, along with Dean Merle Price and others. Brejcha was also a student of Jarvis, and came to appreciate his professionalism and organization skills.

“John Jarvis was a very excellent educator,” said Brejcha. “I tried to pattern my work life after his.” Brejcha put those skills to good use as a professor at Ferris State University in Michigan. “There were five Stout grads teaching industrial arts at Ferris... and at that time we had the leading program in the nation (*in automotive service*).”

“We are honored that Mr. Brejcha would make such a generous gesture that will aid Stout students via the John and Kathryn Jarvis Scholarship fund. What is especially touching is that the relationship between Dad and Mr. Brejcha represents the personal, friendly and caring relationship that seemed was representative of the Stout community at that time. From our experience with members of the community, this type of spirit lives on,” Jarvis’ son, Tom, said.

Brejcha learned about charitable gift annuities through mailings from the Stout University Foundation. “The interest rates sounded good now, and it was time for me to give something back,” he said.

To learn more about charitable gift annuities with the Stout University Foundation and how they may help you achieve your financial and charitable goals, call Patti Bender at 715/232-1151, or at our toll free number, 866/716-6685. We will be happy to prepare a no-obligation illustration showing how a charitable gift annuity can help you reach your goals.



Brejcha



Jarvis

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☐ another individual and myself, our birth dates are _____ and _____
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☐ my will ☐ a trust arrangement ☐ an insurance policy ☐ other _____

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Menomonie, WI 54751

Complex Grand Opening



Don and Nona Williams

"This is a wonderful example of cooperation between the university and the community. This joint effort will produce a first-rate facility that can be enjoyed by everyone in the surrounding area."

**Charles W. Sorensen,
Chancellor, UW-Stout**



Chancellor Sorensen listens to Jim Albers '65 as he addresses the crowd at the grand opening.



Don and Nona Williams Stadium

"This is not just a stadium and athletic complex. It is an exceptionally fine educational facility and in the tradition of the ancient Greeks, those who will both teach and learn herein need to be constantly reminded of the ideals of a strong body, an inquiring mind and an exceptional character."

**Jane Hoyt, Chair
Dunn County Board of Supervisors**



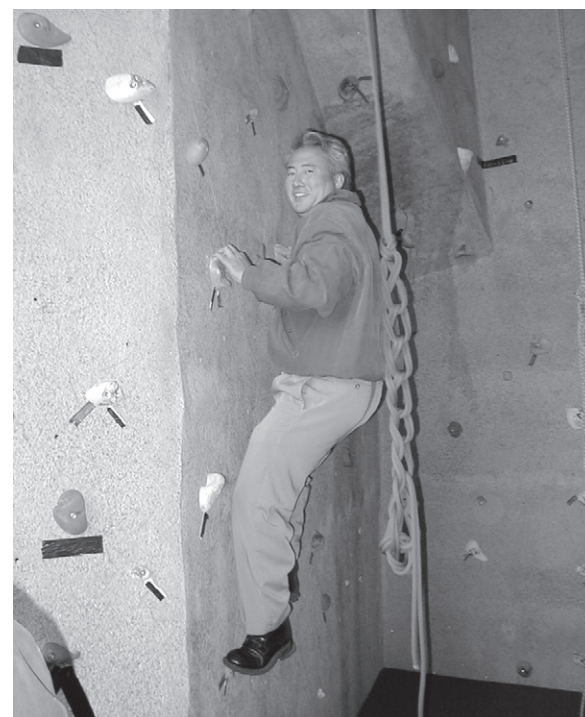
Stout students work their way over the lower climbing wall of the Outdoor Adventure Challenge course.

"UW-Stout is truly fortunate to have students, alumni, a host community, businesses and private individuals who embrace this university"

**Jim Albers
UW System Administrator**



Three courageous students brave the 50 foot tall Alpine Tower of the Outdoor Adventure Challenge course.



Walter Kirchhoff '85 tests the new indoor climbing wall at Stout.

Alumni Association News

Baldrige team visits Stout a second time

This has been an exciting and very busy year for your alma mater and Alumni Association. There have been many highlights, but the most recognizable has been the site visit for the Malcolm Baldrige Award. This is the second year in which we have received a visit and you may remember that we were the first educational institution to receive such an honor in 2000. The announcement of the 2001 recipients will be made by the end of the year.

Many new and exciting things are happening on campus. As you can see from the cover story, we have just celebrated the grand opening of our new Recreation and Athletic Complex. Stout's state-of-the-art technology and communications building, Millennium Hall, was dedicated in May and a new degree in applied science was established in 2001. These are just a couple of the highlights from this year.

Your Alumni Association has been just as busy. This past year we hosted 13 alumni gatherings throughout the United States; celebrated the Golden Reunion for graduates from the classes of 1950, 1951 and 1952; hosted our emeriti and retired faculty and staff for breakfasts and updates on the university; welcomed the classes of 1955, 1956 and 1957 for a weekend of reunion activities; and recognized our faculty and staff for their years of service to UW-Stout.

Those who were on campus in the late 60s

Director's Message



Sue Pittman

and early 70s may remember Tongue. We have been working with them for the past several months on their "one night stand." They haven't lost it—they were great! Their performance to approximately 250 fans was the culmination of our homecoming festivities. It was a pleasure to work with them. More information is available on their web page at:

www.stoutmothertruckers.com.

Seeing and hearing the success of Tongue, I was reminded by a graduate of the 60s, Gene Schlosser, that another band called the Tradewinds were also very popular. He wondered if they are up to a repeat performance. If you are out there and interested, let me know.

Plans are under way for our fifth annual Chancellor's Scholarship Ball. This is a wonderful way to bring both the community and university together for an evening of fine dining and great music while raising dollars for an excellent scholarship program. This year's gala is scheduled for Friday, Dec. 7. If you have an interest in attending, please contact the Alumni Association for additional information.

This spring, our May 2001 graduates were encouraged to attend our first ever Senior Salute, where Chancellor Charles W. Sorensen and the deans of each college met with them to offer congratulations and encourage them to keep in touch with us.

The alumni board of directors recently said goodbye to retiring board members Carol Miller and Sean Hade. We cannot thank them enough for the service they have provided to this association, and they will certainly be missed.

Although the office is busy, we are always happy to take a break and meet with alumni and friends. Next time you pass through Menomonie, think about stopping by our office. We also appreciate hearing from you via e-mail. Regardless of the method, keep in touch.

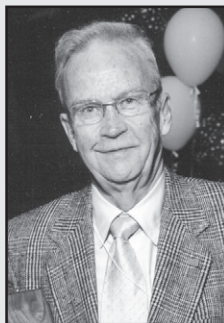
2001 Alumni Awards

Each year the Alumni Association presents awards to recognize and honor our graduates. This year's Distinguished Alumni and Service Awards were presented at the Golden Reunion in June.

The Distinguished Alumni Award was presented to Charles B.S. '51, M.S. '57 and Carolyn Mowbray '51. This is the first time the award has been presented to a couple.

The Service Award was presented to Ralph Myhrman B.S. '50, M.S. '54.

Nominations for awards are accepted on an ongoing basis at the Alumni Association. Please contact Sue Pittman at 715/232-1151 or e-mail pittmans@uwstout.edu for nomination packets and information.



Myhrman



The Mowbrays

Retiring Board Members

The Alumni Association wishes to thank Sean Hade '74 and Carol Miller '51 for their service on the Alumni Association Board of Directors. Both Hade and Miller began with the board in 1994, and have been valuable members of the board.

If you have an interest in becoming an Alumni Association board member, please contact Sue Pittman at 715/232-1151 or e-mail pittmans@uwstout.edu for application packets and information.



Hade



Miller

UW-Stout's Walk for Women's Athletics

UW-Stout is teaming up with the NCAA and the National Girls and Women in Sports

Foundation to sponsor the Walk for Women's Athletics in

conjunction with National Girls and Women in Sports Day. The

UW-Stout walk will take place from

9 a.m. to noon, Saturday, February 16. Staff,

friends, alumni and athletes will be

walking in the multipurpose room

of Johnson Fieldhouse to honor

women who have made

contributions to women's athletics

at Stout, and to raise money for the women's athletic programs.



The university's athletes and staff are particularly interested in reaching

out to alumni who participated in

athletics under the WAA banner

and in the formative years of

women's sports at Stout. If you

participated or supported

athletics at Stout, even without

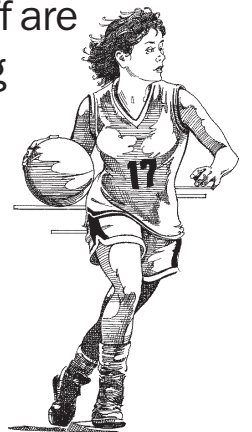
being considered an alum of a

particular sport, we

would like to extend a

special invitation to you to

come walk with us.



Please call Dave Morris

(women's soccer coach) at 715/232-1312 or e-mail

morrisd@uwstout.edu for more information.

Alumni Gatherings

Golden Reunion 2001: Classes of 1950, 1951 and 1952



Class of 1950 (l-r) Row 1: Ellen McGarty, Margaret Perman Meisner, Carol Radtke Hogstad, Ruth Ann Christensen Stai, Beth Robertson Yount, Caroline Lanzer Nelson, Paul Axelsen, Ralph Myhrman and Lois Quist Crowley. Row 2: Herb Meisner, Marvin Friebe, Warren Eiseth, Karen Nielsen Eiseth, Eileen Riley Arnold, Janet Rottjer Cook, Ardelle Krueger Stephens, Helen Woolsey Tews, Marilyn Rantum Solie, Bill Young, Bob Simon and Virgil Halverson. Row 3: Bob Becker, Lloyd Gannagan, Rosalie Orth Hunsbuscher, Virginia Johnson Grundsted, John Lake, Don Raether, Warren Phillips, Bob Grundsted, William McCarthy and Bob Crowley. Row 4: Russell Tews, Rodger Landgraf, Jim Papez, Milton Miller, Merlin Moore, Richard Hunsbuscher and Russell Gerber. Row 5: Bill Amthor, Don Fahrman, Marlys Tibbetts, Karl Windberg, Paul Kunz and Donovan Rhead.



Class of 1951 (l-r) Row 1: Florence Pleszczynski Foltman, Carol Hansen Miller, Barb Pech Uranker, Anna Banker Bender, Allan Wegner, Don Anderson and Bob "Crash" Hirano. Row 2: Charlie Mowbray, Carolyn Blain Mowbray, Mary Lou Groom Brown, Alice Billiet Ehresman, Barbara Johnson Perry, Gene Traxler, Ruth Schrader Hazarian and Warren Barberg. Row 3: John Yount, Bob Manson, Charles Jorgensen, Peter Schellinger, Wayne Rudesill and Emery Nelson. Row 4: Bea Axelsen, David Pilon, Ruth Mathey Thomas, Chuck Thomas, Don Winters and Don Tietz. Row 5: George Skrbich, Steve Stephens, Roland Krogstad, Vaughn Stai and David Randall.



Class of 1952 (l-r) Row 1: Rowena Christen Jorgensen, Natalie Gehri Stapleton, Levene Ablard Senn, Jean Pengilly Windberg, Harry Halvorson and Roberta Hutchinson Prunty. Row 2: Dean Cornwell, Harry Hill, Dorothy Hilton Linse, Donna Gardiner Landsverk, Don Landsverk, Marge Forsman Kniivila and Eleanor Ushijima Hirano. Row 3: Wayne Coleman, Shirley Doner Coleman, Wayne Olson, Karen Anderson Olson, Donna Heike Armstrong and Pat Krause Traxler. Row 4: Gaylord Boyer, Dennis Foltman, Lloyd Pickering, Dorothy Krushas Dale and Joan Schellinger. Row 5: Bill Banks and Bob Miller.



Professors, spouses and classes of 1937-1942 were also invited to participate in golden reunion activities. Row 1 (l-r): Dave Barnard '46 and '47, Kay Michaels Barnard '41 and '67, Zella Joos Schlegel '40, Ted Welander '30, Adrian Dorsch '42 and Jeanne Diefenbach Salzer. Row 2 (l-r): Duane Herald '41, Merton Jessel '41, Lawrence Schaudt '39, Dorothy Groethe Landgraf '70, Sam Mikitareian '54, Bob Swanson '49 and '50, Penny Pennington Swanson '48 and Bob Krause '39.



A day of sunshine and reminiscing on the veranda of the Louis Smith Tainter House (Eichelberger Hall).



Stout's oldest living graduate, Ted Welander '30, was in attendance for the Saturday evening dinner.



Reliving the afternoon teas of the 50s.

(See page 19 for more photos)

Stout Families

Rotnem Family



Front: Lee A. Iverson '49. Back (l-r): Manford "Burt" Rotnem '50, Jim Rotnem Margaret Rotnem Iverson '45 and Dorothy Rotnem Gilbertson '43. Photographic illustration by Rotnem family.

Burt Rotnem earned his B.S. in 1950 and his M.S. in 1953, both from Stout. He retired in December 1979 after 30 years in teaching, the final 24 at Kent State University. He and his wife, Mary Lou, have three children and five grandchildren. Margaret Rotnem Iverson earned her B.S. from Stout in 1945 and went on to earn her M.S. from the University of Illinois in 1973. She retired in 1988 from the Springfield, Ill., school district after 30 years of teaching.

Dorothy Rotnem Gilbertson earned her B.S. in 1943 from Stout. She retired in 1990 after more than 40 years of farming with her husband and teaching music in her home (*piano and organ*). She and her husband raised four children and have numerous grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Lee Iverson earned his B.S. at Stout in 1949 and went on to earn his M.S. from the University of New York in 1952. He retired in 1989 as director of the division of educational and rehabilitation services for the State of Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. He and Margaret have two children and two grandchildren.

Pagel Family



Amy Pagel Sment '88; Doug Pagel '57; Troy Pagel, student 1992–1997; Lisa Coulthurst Pagel '95; Ramona Johnson Pagel '62; Ken Pagel, student 1958–1960.

Amy Pagel Sment earned her B.S. in apparel, textiles and design in 1988 at Stout. Doug Pagel earned his B.S. in industrial education in 1957. He taught for many years and is now retired. Troy Pagel was a student at Stout from 1992–1997. Lisa Coulthurst Pagel earned her B.S. in retail merchandising and management in 1995. She now works in human resources at Kohler. Ramona Johnson Pagel earned her B.S. in home economics education in 1962 and is now a medical administrator at the Department of Veterans' Affairs in Appleton, Wis. Ken Pagel attended Stout from 1958–1960.

Noesen Family



Front (l-r): Mary Jo Noesen '66 and Nancy Noesen Murray '88. Back (l-r): Nick Noesen '94; Ken Noesen B.S. '67, M.S. '72; and Neil Noesen.

Ken Noesen (*father*) earned his B.S. in industrial education in 1967 and his M.S. in audiovisual communication in 1972. He retired after 29 years of teaching high school and is a certified professional photographer. Mary Jo Kovacevich Noesen (*mother*) earned her B.S. in home economics education in 1966 and is the business manager of Noesen's Photography in Barron, Wis. Nancy Noesen Murray (*daughter*) earned her B.S. in fashion merchandising in 1988 and her MBA in 1999 from Cardinal Stritch University in Milwaukee. She is now an assistant professor in the business department at UW-Stout. Nick Noesen (*son*) earned his B.S. in hospitality and tourism management in 1994 and is now an event marketing manager for Red Bull in Denver, Co. He has also earned his Court of Master Sommelier certification. Neil Noesen (*son*) earned his B.S. in pharmacy from UW-Madison in '98.

Moore Family



Merlin Moore B.S. '50, M.S. '52; Carolyn Moore Ploof '75; Curtis Moore '80.

Merlin Moore earned his B.S. in 1950 and his M.S. in 1952, both in industrial education. He is the retired superintendent of management development of the Reserve Mining Company in Silver Bay, Minn. Carolyn Moore Ploof earned her B.S. in home economics education in 1975. She is currently a family and consumer education instructor in Melrose, Minn. Curtis Moore earned his B.S. in hotel and restaurant management in 1980 and is currently a workman's compensation supervisor with Alexis Corporation in Minneapolis.

If your family has three or more Stout grads, and would like to be included in this section, please submit a current full color photograph, identifying each person and their year of graduation. The Alumni Association will make the final choice as to who is highlighted in each issue.

Please use the "Keep us Posted" form on the back page of the Outlook, and return it to the Alumni Association with your photograph.

Faculty and staff recognized

The Alumni Association is proud to honor faculty and staff who have served the university for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 and 35 years



Ten Years Row 1 (l-r): Jerry Kapus, Lynn LaVenture, Rebecca Messer, Linda Champion and Lori Anda-Bowen. Row 2 (l-r): Nancy Varsho, Sandra Clafin-Chalton, Ted Hendzell, Kathy McCune and Lou Milanesi. Row 3 (l-r): Bob Zeidel, Paul Wagner, Ken Neuberg and Rod McRae.



Fifteen years Row 1 (l-r): Charlene Smith, Kathryn Pattison, Al Ebel, Barb Button and Luanne Reckin. Row 2 (l-r): Mary Kay Sankey, Linda Potter, Peter D'Souza, Bonni Falkner and Cynthia Hintzman. Row 3 (l-r): Scott Pauly, Bill Kryshak, Howard Lee and Jim Byrd.



Twenty years Row 1 (l-r): Don Moats, Priscilla Higley, Debra Dillon, Celene Frey and Connie Galep. Row 2 (l-r): Barbara Pease, Ruth Ann Schoenoff, John Rompala, Joy Morical, Bob Meyer and Ruth Mikkelsen. Row 3: Martin Fritz.



Twenty-five years Row 1 (l-r): Mary Thompson, Deb Tenorio and Lucille Webinger. Row 2 (l-r): Joe Krier, Karen Pauly, Ron Verdon and Annette Taylor. Row 3 (l-r): Bob Hirsch, Denise Skinner, Nancy Finder, Marlene Backhaus and Kim Vlcek.



Thirty years Row 1 (l-r): Ann Ramage, Sharon Cook, Barb McRoberts and Gail Stark. Row 2 (l-r): Rita Slinden, Gladys Earl and Jackie Hasse. Row 3 (l-r): Donna Albrecht, Martin Ondrus and Jerry Coomer.



Thirty-five years (l-r) Bill Bailey and Duane Johnson

Alumni in the News

From buyer to owner

The path you end up taking may not always be the one you visualized for yourself while in college. Amy Skarda Swanson graduated from UW-Stout in 1983 in fashion merchandising. After graduation, she moved to Minneapolis where she worked for Donaldson's Department Store and Dayton Hudson as a planner distributor in their buying offices.

In 1994 life felt as if it had become the typical 'rat race' for Swanson and her family. She and her husband, Oscar, had very busy schedules that left little time for family. "I was often traveling to New York for a week at a time, leaving my husband and child to fend for themselves," she said. "At the same time, my husband was becoming frustrated with his career as an attorney working for West Publishing, so we re-evaluated our lives and decided to try something new."

An opportunity to buy an already established business presented itself to the couple. Swanson's father had started a bowling center during 1960 in Manitowoc, Wis., and was ready to retire. "We had never really thought about moving back to my hometown, but when this situation presented itself, we thought we needed to look into it," Swanson said.

Leaving such secure jobs with benefits and good salaries was a difficult decision for the couple, but they felt that they couldn't pass up the opportunity even though it meant living with Swanson's parents for a while.

In June 1994 the Swansons made the big move back to Manitowoc, becoming the new owners of Meadow Lanes West Bowling Center and Sports Bar. The establishment had not been updated since the early 70s, so Swanson's husband spent the summer painting, carpeting, replacing light fixtures and cleaning. All of the money from the sale of their St. Paul, Minn., home went into the remodeling and purchase of



(l-r) Turner (9), Oscar (4), Logan and Amy '83 Skarda Swanson

the center. "We really didn't know if we were going to be able to make a go of it, but from what we had read in the trade magazines, bowling was on an upward trend," Swanson said.

In the years that followed, 'Cosmic Bowling' was added to the center, and the additional revenue enabled the Swansons to continue updating the facility. The newest updates included touch screen automatic scoring with overhead monitors and graphics, plus all new seating.

Though this type of drastic change may not be the right move for everyone, it seems to have been the best move for the Swanson family. In seven years, sales at the center have doubled, and while owning their own business has been a challenge, it has also been very rewarding, Swanson said.

"I attribute a lot of our success to my Stout education, my prior employers and my parents. I have had the opportunity to use my management, marketing, accounting and even merchandising skills," she said.

If you are ever in the Manitowoc area, the Swansons invite you to stop in and visit them at the bowling center and check out their 'Cosmic Bowling.'

Quality a high priority for Mueser

When purchasing clothing and home fashions, how many times do you pull on the fabric to check for strength or stretching, check the fasteners (*snaps, zippers*) or look for possibilities of color fading or 'bleeding'? Do you think about the durability and wear of the fabrics or the thread quality? If not, that's okay, because if you've purchased those items at Sears one of our grads, Karen Mueser, B.S. '70 Home Economics Education and M.S. '77 Clothing and Textiles, has done that for you.



Mueser

Mueser, group engineering manager for product quality assurance, and her staff at Sears corporate offices spend their days testing fabrics to assure their products are consistent and of superior quality. An integral part of the decision making, Karen spends much of her time meeting with Sears buying teams and vendor's sales representatives to determine that what goes on the shelves meets Sears quality specification.

During a tour of the lab Mueser commented

that there have been changes in the equipment used for testing, but not as much as one might expect. For example, the Scott Tester is the same type as she used as a student. This does not mean the lab is using old, outdated equipment, Mueser commented. "It works well and gives us valuable information, so why change something that has been working effectively for years?" she said. "My training at Stout gave me an advantage over others when I began at Sears, because I already had experience with the testing methods and equipment. Plus it demonstrates what we have always known—Stout is heads above other schools in technical, hands-on training."

A member of the women's gymnastics team for four years, Mueser established herself as a leader in women's athletics and was recently inducted into UW-Stout's Hall of Fame (see page 6 for more information). After graduation Mueser continued her involvement with gymnastics as a coach while teaching junior high prior to her employment with Sears.

Congratulations to Mueser on her induction into UW-Stout's Hall of Fame. And the next time you are making purchases in a Sears store, be assured their textile products have been tested by one of our alumni!

Alumni Testimonials

What Stout Did For Me

"Like many young girls in the 1950s, I grew up in a small rural conservative community, in a family with limited cultural experiences. Stout was my 'finishing school' and it started with dorm life and dorm mothers — strict and vigilant. You came to the table with your hair combed and all your clothes on. I learned and practiced proper table etiquette three meals a day. It's where I learned to wear a hat to church, teas and even field trips.

"Codes of etiquette and dress have served me well and given me confidence in my professional and personal experiences.

"I was employed the school year after graduation and was never without a job. Goodness, how frightened I was to begin life in the classroom as a 'real' home economics teacher. But, armed with many previous demonstrations and a seam ripper that had served me well, before long I was dashing off lesson plans, instilling skills and values (*yes, values*) to a feisty, challenging bunch of kids. I loved them!

"I ended my strict and vigilant career as the coordinator and teacher of a parenting program for young mothers and their infants. I loved them, too.

"I've often thought, more recently especially, of the many dedicated and wonderful teachers I was so fortunate to have. I can picture petite Miss Jeter bustling about, encouraging us to make that perfect stitch, that perfect set-in sleeve. Of course, it was more than the sleeve or the perfect cream sauce, it was always to aim for perfection.

"Of the subject matter, the curriculum, it is passé? I don't think so. Foods, clothing, textiles, marriage and the family, nutrition, child development, art appreciation and consumer education are core skills. Magazines, newspapers, books, Internet, radio and TV make their living off these topics. I had my first consumer education class in 1955, and Ralph Nader could still learn something from those notes. Remember, Martha Stewart's mother was a home economist.

"Yes, I was not only privileged to teach the curriculum, I was able to 'live' the curriculum of home and family life."



Wahl

Sara Wahl '56

"In 1967 I graduated in the lower 50 percent of my high school class. Stout gave me a chance to further my education, a chance that other universities were not open to doing. While at Stout, I obtained the skills necessary to not only be a good teacher, but also to survive in the industrial world of work.

"The high school I graduated from had no hands-on industrial education program. While at Stout, I took what was called a general industrial arts program. This program prepared me for all that lay ahead in my work life. There were several instructors at Stout who laid the groundwork for me to become a true problem solver. In the metal working area, I took many classes taught by Dr. Thomas. In the woodworking area, George Soderberg, KT Olsen, Ed Dyas and Dr. Bjornerud helped me become a well-rounded educator. Because of their tutelage, I had the background to teach almost any class in the technology area.

"I started my teaching career in the Hortonville and Neenah, Wis., school districts, but also spent a number of years working in the pattern shops of the Neenah and Little Chute, Wis., foundries. I have gone on to earn my master's degree in special education at UW-Oshkosh, and am currently teaching machine tool technology at Kaukauna High School and technology education at Riverview Middle School in the Kaukauna school district.

"There is more to teaching than being able to teach kids how to work with their hands. I owe a great deal of my organization and curriculum planning to Dr. James Benson. It was because of his guidance I have been able to be flexible and adapt to and help write curriculum at four school systems.

"Since enrolling in graduate school, I have structured my classes around the students I teach. Forty percent of my students are in some type of special program, so it is essential that I meet their needs. Without the help I received at Stout, this would never have been possible."

John Schindhelm '71



Schindhelm



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March 2002

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AMA Alumni: Be sure to watch for your invitation in the mail!

Degree enhances fitness career

Kim Landry-Ayres '97 did not have the typical college experience. As a non traditional student, Landry-Ayres knew what she wanted from the dietetics program at UW-Stout. This degree was an enhancement, a complement to her already growing fitness career.



Landry-Ayres and Phil McGuirk

Her first year of college life was at Longwood College in Virginia where she was working toward a double major in biology and psychology, playing varsity field hockey on a partial scholarship, and teaching aerobics for the university recreation program she helped to create. During this time Landry-Ayres joined the Army ROTC and eventually was offered a full scholarship for medical school. Although the scholarship was tempting and Army airborne

training was exhilarating, she knew this was not the direction she ultimately wanted to go. After refusing the scholarship, she packed up, dropped out of school and ended up in San Diego.

Two years later, and taking night classes on a part time basis, she received her associate degree as a medical assistant from Apollo College in San Diego. "Once the degree was completed, I realized this was still not what I wanted to do," Landry-Ayres said.

In the meantime she met her future husband, Jim Ayres, at Gold's Gym where she was working part-time as a group fitness instructor and certified personal trainer. They eventually decided to return to Jim's hometown of Eau Claire, Wis., where they purchased a 140-year-old farmhouse. Their first few years in the house were spent cleaning up the property and making the house livable. "We had no furnace for almost four years; we used a small potbellied stove during the winter months. The place was really in bad shape," she said.

While working on the house, Landry-Ayres

began working at various fitness centers in the area, where she essentially introduced personal training to the Eau Claire area fitness industry. "When I arrived here, there was basically no personalized fitness training going on. I was amazed at the difference between the fitness industry here as compared with the east and west coasts," she said. It was at this time that she decided to return to school for a degree that would complement her fitness background and take her career to the next level.

While enrolled in the dietetics program, Landry-Ayres was also part of the university's weight training and fitness staff. Originally hired by Duey Naatz, she soon began working with Lori Anda-Bowen as a lead student manager, teaching aerobics and helping to develop a Personal training program for the university's weight training facility. More recently Kim met with Anda-Bowen to review the equipment purchases for the new recreation complex. "This new recreation complex is a first-rate facility," Landry-Ayres said.

After graduation, she continued for about two years at Stout in the physical education department, teaching the aerobic course and developing and instructing the fitness yoga course (*which she continues to offer during WinTerM*). She also began building her client base and before long, her husband's carpentry shop became the home of their new business, Mission Accomplished, and YogaFit studio. Meeting with clients for an assessment of their fitness and nutrition needs and goals, Landry-Ayres assists them in developing a personalized fitness and nutrition program to meet their specific circumstance. "I would rather be on the preventative side of the medical field. It's much more positive," she said.

For more information on Mission Accomplished and Kim's training, consulting and yoga instruction you may visit her Web site at:

www.kimayres.com

Sorrell named Risk Control Center head

Elbert Sorrell B.S. '78, M.S. '83 professor in the industrial management department at UW-Stout, has recently become the director of the UW-Stout Risk Control Center. The center performs applied research and provides technical services and program development to business and industry in the areas of safety, health and environmental risk control. Sorrell also serves as program director for the M.S. in Risk Control. He is responsible for the total curriculum of the program and is charged with aiding students in meeting all requirements of the program.



Sorrell

After receiving his B.S. in industrial technology, Sorrell worked for Kearney and Trecker in Milwaukee as a service engineer, providing customer support related to the electrical and mechanical end of computerized numerical control machines. In 1980, Corning Glass Works in Corning, N.Y. hired him. While there he worked in a number of different production operation positions.

In 1982, Sorrell returned to UW-Stout to pursue his M.S. in safety. Upon graduation, he was hired by Liberty Mutual Insurance Company as a safety/loss control consultant. Sorrell was hired by UW-Stout in 1988 to teach in the graduate-level safety program (*now M.S. in Risk Control*). In 1995, he completed doctoral studies at the University of Minnesota. According to Sorrell, he enjoys the challenges associated with his position. "UW-Stout is involved in several exciting initiatives, and I am elated to be affiliated with the university," he said.

Engineering and art a good combination for Siewert

Greg Siewert '84 recently sent this update to the Alumni Association: "Right off the start, I have to confess that I've fallen into a career that, prior to my graduation from UW-Stout over 17 years ago, I would have never imagined. The path to my current position has been strewn with uncertain decisions, a fortunate association, and a solid foundation from Stout.

"For the last five years, I've been developing my yacht design firm here in Charleston, S.C. Siewert Design, LLC offers services in interior and exterior styling of both sail and motor yachts from eight to 180 feet in length. The office is primarily concerned with the conceptual and detail design of both yacht exterior styling and interiors. It also offers services in market research, illustration and project planning.

"Technically, I call myself a 'marine industrial designer,' because industrial design has been my educational background. However, the trade has encompassed a wide variety of disciplines, including many aspects of naval architecture. Naval architecture itself has a wide range of specialties, such as structural engineering, performance prediction and fluid dynamics. Other fields that I've had to gain fluency are interior architecture and joinery, composites, computer-aided design, and basic business sense.

"Prior to coming to Menomonie in 1982, I thought I'd be an engineer. All of my high school friends in Wausau were headed that way, but I also had a few skills in art that I wasn't sure how to apply. At the time, I'd never heard of industrial design as a career, and at the time it was a pitifully small one. Of course since then, it has become an important element in most successful companies.

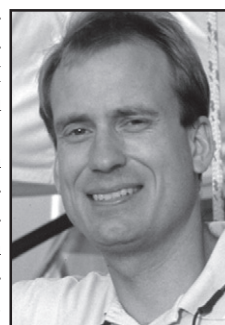
"My good friend John clued me in on this new field and how it included aspects of both engineering and art, and of his plans to go to Stout. "What the heck, let's give it a whirl," I said. I was pleasantly surprised when I arrived. Industrial design classes were diverse and ranged from drawing and sculpture to production

methods and economics. 'This is interesting and fun,' I thought, 'but can you make a living?'

"This is where a couple of fortunate circumstances came together. Having Jim McCormick as an instructor was the first. He was instrumental in giving students the skills in problem solving which is, after all, what constitutes a good product. Second, he gave insight in how we interacted with other aspects of a company, such as engineering and manufacturing. Lastly, Jim made us remember not to take all this too seriously, to be creative and have fun!

"The other fortunate circumstance came just before graduation. There was a posting on the job bulletin board in the art department for a staff designer position at S2 Yachts in Holland, Mich. S2 is a builder of sail and powerboats, and is considered one of the highest quality manufacturers in the industry. The job posting came from Mark Bonnette, a previous work associate of Jim's and former industrial design instructor at Stout. I found this position and type of industry very interesting because I loved boats, and my dad and I had been sailing together for many years. I figure this last skill may have helped secure my first job in yacht design, which has lead to working with boat companies all over the world.

"Industrial design's contribution to boat-building back in the mid-80s was very limited, and we were considered to be a curious, peripheral department in the company. Often designers, (*Mark hated the title 'stylist'*) were delegated to just picking stripe colors or typesetting the brand logos. Slowly, though, like the rest of many corporations, CEOs ob-



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served that their competitors better-designed products were lower cost and/or selling much better. Now, nearly every boatbuilder employs industrial designers. Some of the major companies, like US Marine and Sea Ray, have very large design staffs.

"Yacht design is a close-knit community, and personnel move regularly from one company to the next. I've done the same, managing several design departments. Although this diversity has given me a broad background in production methods and valued personal friendships, I found the economic boom and bust cycles tiring. Following my last corporate position that took me from San Diego to New Zealand, and then Raleigh/Durham, my wife Barbara and I decided to move to the coast here in South Carolina and try to build my own design practice. Although it's been said that the only difference between employment and self-employment is a state of mind, I've found it extremely interesting and fairly secure."

Attention snowbirds!



If you head south for the winter or north for the summer, let us know! The Alumni Office's new computer system allows mailings to be sent to alternate addresses during different times of the year. You'll get alumni information on time and save the office time and money forwarding your mail. Send your addresses, and the times of the year you live there, to:

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Arzoumanian is superintendent

Twenty years after graduation from Stout State College, Linda Luck Arzoumanian '64 relocated to Arizona. After 17 years and an Ed.D. in middle and early childhood, she became the Pima County school superintendent and is now responsible for the monitoring and reporting of budgets for 14 school districts, amounting to \$342 million. In addition to her fiscal responsibilities, Arzoumanian is in charge of providing school bus transportation for children living in unincorporated territories and education to children in jail and detention center programs. She also operates the Center for Education Development. The center provides statewide counselor education, implements multicounty tech-prep programs and assists with multidistrict collaborations.



Arzoumanian

Wisconsin to Arizona was not a direct route as Arzoumanian spent a number of years in West Virginia, Maryland and New York. While in New York, she was an advocate for quality children's education and special education services. She also concentrated on providing early childhood education to young children. Arzoumanian was appointed to the Child Development Committee working with public and private agencies to enhance services to meet the socioeconomic needs of families in Dutchess County.

After moving to Arizona, Linda volunteered on multiple district wide committees and worked diligently to establish a strong school community partnership council representing 104 schools. She also worked as a consultant in early childhood education for Pima County's largest school district and was recruited to join a behavioral

health agency in 1993 to develop a quality full day childcare program in the most economically depressed area of Tucson. She leveraged her work there to win a \$5 million federal grant based on community development. Her program is recognized nationally as a promising program for early childhood/community development. During the same time she was responsible for the provision of clinical services to more than 400 children from birth to 18 years old.

In the fall of 1999, Arzoumanian was asked to submit her application for Pima County school superintendent, and joined a field of eight candidates. Although appointed last year to fill the position, the constituency of Pima County later elected Arzoumanian to serve as their superintendent. She has set high goals for herself and the district, currently working to explore the building of an alternative high school, professional development for the teachers in rural school districts through distance learning, linkages between the local community college and high schools countywide for shared credit arrangements, and workforce development.

Arzoumanian has high compliments for Stout and the education she received. She has maintained correspondence with several of her housemates as well as two former professors, Dr. Rimel and Dr. Carrison (*now deceased*). She credits the education she received at Stout with keeping her focused on quality and accountability in education. The educational rigor of much of her coursework allowed her to cross boundaries and enter other fields easily. She also believes that the high expectations that Stout professors had for their students was instrumental in providing her with the impetus to move forward with her M.Ed. in human relations, as well as her doctorate.

Alumni Testimonials

Reminiscing

"It is difficult to remember 30 years ago when my wife Nancy and I decided I needed a college education. We were married with two small children and no money. Nancy worked two jobs, taking the children with her to work, and I worked three jobs.

"We had made a decision that Stout was the college of our choice. Many years later, after completing a B.S. in '75, M.S. in '78 and Ed.S. in '85, our lives had changed forever. I had the opportunity to work for several companies including Menard's Home Furnishings as the general manager (*they only had five stores at that time*).

"When I was offered the opportunity to teach at Stout, it was another opportunity for the university to change our lives. While teaching at Stout, I was able to work on my doctorate at the University of Minnesota.

"None of this would have been possible without the complete support of my wife and several Stout icons who I will never be able to thank enough. Phil Roehl, Jack Sampson and Bob Swanson are men of integrity, principle and have 'hearts of gold.'

"I am currently blending the lessons learned at Stout in business and industry to include consulting and pursuit of entrepreneurial ventures. Many thanks to everyone listed above and especially to my wife of 36 years and 134 days (*but who's counting*) Nancy. "

Al Curry B.S. '75, M.S. '78, Ed.S. '86



Curry

"Seeing the communication from Joan Schwanemann Augustine in the 2001 spring issue of Stout Outlook brought back a flood of memories. I, along with her and about 20 others, lived in historic Tainter Hall in '49 and '50. It was with sadness that I learned that that beautiful building was razed several years ago. There were six rooms on the second floor and four rooms on the third, surrounding a lovely spiral staircase. One day, someone on third shouted, 'bat on the floor.' Joan emerged from her room with a paper bag on her head, covering her hair, no doubt believing the myth that bats love to nest in human hair.

Muriel Roffers, however, came out of her room wielding her tennis racket with which she gave the hapless bat a huge blow, sending it spiraling down the spiral staircase. She was taking tennis for a P.T. credit and turned to us proudly and said 'did you see my follow through?'

"Mrs. Nelson was our clueless housemother. She was a very poor judge of human nature and doted on the 'bad' girls, one in particular, who on our last night as freshmen in Tainter Hall, came in drunk, as usual, and fell on Mrs. Nelson. We all silently cheered to see Mrs. Nelson finally witnessing what all of us had known all year! I commend Joan on obtaining the highest salary of the class of '52. She was always very focused on her goals."

Mary Ann Constantine '53



Constantine

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B & B dreams come true for Parker and family

How many of you have dreamed of living in one of the beautifully built homes of the late 1800s? If so, Marie Slivon Parker '88 has taken on that dream and the work that comes with ownership of such a home. When Marie and her husband Andy purchased their 1886 Milwaukee home, "everything was pretty much demolished and or missing—even the entire stairway and furnaces were gone," according to Parker. They were not discouraged (*at least not terribly discouraged*) as they had a dream. This inspiration began while on their honeymoon in 1989, touring Georgia. Instead of the typical



Parker

hotel and honeymoon suites, they opted to stay in bed and breakfasts—and thus the beginning of a dream.

Five years after her graduation, Parker and her husband purchased the home that eventually became the Manderley Bed & Breakfast. During four of those five years, she was busy with her job as a technical representative in the research and development department for Eskimo Pie.

Leaving Eskimo Pie after the birth of her two sons, Parker returned to work at Foran Spice Company, a research and development test kitchen. "It was a great job, I got to cook and was able to develop new food combinations. Andy stayed home with the boys and worked on making our home into a B&B," she said. In 1996 she left Foran to help Andy with the construction and work on the house.

In April 2000, after one year of "practice" guests, Manderley's opened for its first official

guest. "Would you believe our first guest was Stout graduate Dewey Fimreite '85?" Parker said.

Parker credits her education and experiences at UW-Stout for her employment successes and the operating of a bed and breakfast. "The quantity food production class has helped me more than any other," she commented. "Recently I've started 'Theme Teas' for retirement groups. Some of the things I learned in QFP have been a tremendous help."

She also compliments the faculty and still remembers Peter D'Souza's comment when she was asking for permission to leave classes for an interview. "Of course I'll let you take off, this is what we are training you for," he said. With the first bed and breakfast up and running, the Parkers are in the process of purchasing the historical house next door. The previous owners, Clara and Charles Miller (*daughter of Fredrick*

Miller, of Miller Brewery) entertained the society of Milwaukee in the home. They anticipate having nine rooms, making it an inn versus a bed and breakfast. Parker said it is on a five-year plan.

The next time you are looking for rooms in the Milwaukee area, consider the Manderley Bed & Breakfast at 3026 West Wells Street. You may also visit their Web site at:

www.bedandbreakfastmilwaukee.com

Pontynen has unique approach to teaching

The alumni office is always delighted when we “find” a lost alumnus, especially when they have expressed feelings of appreciation for the education they received at Stout.



Pontynen at home in New Mexico

Burton A. Pontynen B.S. '51 and M.S. '53 in industrial education, is such an alumni. We would like to share portions of a letter we recently received from him.

“I have not been a supporter of Stout by any financial contribution through the years. This does not mean that I have not appreciated the education I received there. I feel that Stout definitely helped me to live the life of my dreams. I have had what, for me, has been a very enjoyable and fulfilling life of experiences using the education I obtained at Stout.

“My teaching career started by organizing and teaching a general metal shop program at a rural high school in Stephenson, Mich. Two years later I moved to Pacific Union College in Angwin, Calif., where I taught for the next 28 years. During my tenure at PUC, I completed my Ed.D at Arizona State University.

“I’ve had the opportunity to experience some interesting and unique activities including taking a group of 10 PUC students to the

Marshall Islands in the South Pacific. One of the assignments for the students included building a small school on the island. Credits were given to the students for physical education as we swam every day, and home economics since they were responsible for cooking their own meals. They were also given credit for a social service class.

“Another opportunity allowed me to be a visiting professor at Mountain View College in the Southern Philippines. In this position I was in charge of a work-study program in construction technology. The project involved team teaching 25 students with three Philippine instructors and foremen. Our project involved a 20,000 square foot new dormitory, which was started from scratch and completed during the school years. All work on this project was done by the most primitive and improvised techniques. Other interesting projects have taken me to Bolivia for a short time to facilitate in the start up of an orphanage in a primitive part of the country, and to central Mexico for a student work-study program.

“Now, during retirement, I still am enjoying good health and am active as a volunteer at PUC and as a member of the college development board. I still use my welding skills, learned from Professor Bettereley at Stout. On an intermittent basis, I fabricate safety handrails on campus. All in all, I have had an enjoyable and satisfying 50 years since leaving Stout.”

Johnson finds Stout classes have many uses

Most graduates hope and usually expect to be employed in their field of study after graduation. It is not unusual,



Roger and Sally Johnson

however, for Stout graduates who have experienced the “hands-on, minds-on” training to use their degree for more than one career. That is the case with Roger Johnson, a 1972 industrial education major.

Roger’s first career was just what he had planned—teaching industrial arts. He spent 25 years in Alma Center, Wis., and two years in Augusta, Wis. Teaching industrial arts was his love, and he expected that he would remain in this field until his retirement “at an older age.” Although he was not quite ready to leave the teaching profession, Roger retired early, partly due to a hearing impairment.

This was the beginning of his second career. According to Roger and his wife Sally, this was “an accidental happening.” A number of years ago, they were scheduled to have their sofa recovered but an unfortunate incident prevented the person they had hired from completing the job. Not daunted by disappointment, they decided to take a course at a technical college nearby and learn how to do it themselves. To

diversify their learning experiences, they each took different classes.

Not only did they completely re-do their sofa, they began doing refinishing for friends. Never expecting to make this into their full-time profession, Sally continued to run the business with Roger’s part-time help beginning in 1979. With Sally’s energy and encouragement, both continued to expand their experiences and training. Realizing the need for quality refinishing and restoration of furniture in their area, they added refinishing to their skills. “That (*refinishing*) has since surpassed the need for upholstery and constitutes a larger portion of our business. As each piece is done by hand, it is really labor intensive,” Roger said. He also said he truly appreciates the finishing classes taken from Dr. Pershern. “While taking his classes, I did not even think about having my own business. I just appreciated his teaching skill. It sure has been helpful in this business,” he said.

Window coverings were added to the business when Sally completed an intensive course for certification. Roger and Sally’s business, RJS Custom Furnishings, is located Alma Center, Wis.

Roger is not the only Johnson from his immediate family to graduate from UW-Stout. His brother Tom graduated in 1973 and son Shayne completed his degree in 1998.

Michigan alumni gathering



Row 1 (l-r): Dave Ostwald B.S. '75, M.S. '76; Dave Kasten '75. Row 2 (l-r): Roman Gill B.S. '57, M.S. '61; Jim Bizeau; Richard Hunsbuscher B.S. '50, M.S. '56, Rosalie Orth Hunsbuscher '50; John Lake '50. Row 3 (l-r): Gail Gill, Joyce Lake, Eileen Myrick-Bizeau B.S. '66, M.S. '81; Mercedes Kaasten '75, Sue Pittman, Chancellor Sorensen.

Portland alumni gathering



Row 1 (l-r): Tom Hogan B.S. '66, M.S. '71; Kristi Bielefeld '91; Sara Cardwell Stratton '75, Andrea St. Aubin Schaller '97 and Ellen Hansen B.S. '67, M.S. '78. Back row (l-r): Bill Schaller '96, Bob Meyer, Dan Laska '95, Mark Niemann-Ross '81, Kim Marion '93, Bob McMillan B.S. '95, M.S. '96, Mike Fitzgibbons '68; Mary Schneider Fitzgibbons '64; Sue Pittman and Jeffery Busch '77.

If you have arranged or attended a gathering that included several Stout graduates, and would like to see a picture of the group in the Outlook, please contact Sue Pittman at the Alumni Association or submit a photo with identification of all people pictured to the address below. Publication decisions will be made by the Alumni Association and determined by available space.

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Golden Reunion

Enjoying the music



Don '52 and Lois Anderson.

Meeting with schoolmates



Valeria Bloom Cornwell '53, Dean Cornwell '52 and Ardelle Kruger Stephens '50.

Hawaiian friends



Robert "Crash" Hirano, Eleanor Ushijima Hirano '52, Marge ForsmanKniivila '52 and Dwight Agnew.

Reminiscing about Stout



Lois Quist Crowley '50, Dorothy Groethe Landgraf '70 and Beverly Wentlandt Miller.

Over here!



Anna Fahrman, Jean Pengilly Windberg '52 and Beverly Wentlandt Miller.

Tea time



Reunion attendees had a chance to relax and socialize at the tea Friday afternoon.

Alumni Spotlights

Susan Metzger '83 recently sent us this update on her career:

"My story is short, but my journey was long. Since I was little I always knew that when I grew up, I wanted to be a clothes designer. Over the decades the only thing that really changed was the title - fashion designer.

"UW-Stout taught me the technique of putting clothes together, knowledge of the industry, and the ability to create. Dr. Karen LaBat was the strongest influence in my education, giving me permission to follow my dream, commenting on my talent, and otherwise guiding my course. Dr Heintz also had a positive impact on my education, and my expression of creativity was always encouraged.

"Prior to graduating, I knew my objectives were to live in the Twin Cities, be a fashion designer, and make a living at it. The journey towards those goals began with first establishing my own style of design. I worked in Paris, France, for a year as an assistant fashion designer in haute couture. Shortly after coming home, I opened a small dress shop on Grand Avenue in St. Paul, making and selling my dresses. Three years later I made a transition from retail to wholesale by relocating in the warehouse district of downtown St. Paul. Two years went by, and I knew that going forward in wholesale would never let me be as creative a designer as would retail. So I again regrouped and transitioned back into retail.

"There's an expression, that if you want to do something successfully, copy the way someone else does it. To that end, I took a job working at a middle range clothing store for over two years, then went to a high end store for a year, and finally a very low end clothing store. Working in wardrobe for two movies made in the Twin Cities (*Mall Rats* and *Mighty Ducks*) was a fun diversion during this period.

"As I was gaining experience in retail, I never deviated from my original goal, and kept an eye open for some little building to house my 'dream shop.' Finally the time was right, the price was right, and 1128 Grand Avenue was purchased in June of 1997. Now the challenge was to create a business where I could be a fashion designer 50 percent of the time, and a business person 50 percent of the time, to take the best of what I do and use that as my strength to separate me from the competition. I design one-of-a-kind outfits, and alter them for the specific client free of charge, thus using my knowledge of fashion and fit to offer something unique. I named my shop C'est Fou, which means 'It's crazy' in French, and is an expression my Paris friends often used in describing my actions!

"Four years have now gone by and I'm happy to say that my objective is accomplished. I live in the Twin Cities, I'm a fashion designer, and I'm making a living doing it!"

Anne Engels '97, assistant director of residence life at North Central College in Naperville, Ill., has received the 2001 Student Governing Association Distinguished Service Award.

The award was presented May 15 at Honors Convocation, an annual spring event that publicly recognizes student excellence in the academic and co-curricular life of the college. Every year, the committee of the Student Governing Board recognizes one member of the faculty, staff or administration who serves the college.



Metzger

Engels began her position as assistant director after serving as an area hall director during 1999-2000. As a hall director, she was known for her high level of enthusiasm and ability to create a sense of community and pride. Her professionalism and commitment to the campus community was demonstrated earlier this year following the death of Christopher Hickenbottom, the director of residence life, in an auto accident. Engels can be seen working late into the night and is involved in every aspect of student life. "Her leadership qualities are a constant, positive motivator, which provides stability and support for the entire student population," said Aldrich.

Engels earned her B.S. degree in human development and family studies at UW-Stout, and holds a master of arts degree in human development: family life education from Saint Mary's University in Winona, Minn. She currently resides in Naperville, Ill.

Charles E. Goodremote '81 was promoted to managing director for the Automotive Division of Modine Europe in March. Goodremote has been with Modine for 19 years and has served in both engineering and management positions, most recently as general manager of the Modine Climate Systems Division in Harrodsburg, Ky. He joined Modine in 1982 as a design engineer in the Automotive Division.

Goodremote earned his B.S. degree in industrial technology with a concentration in product development at UW-Stout, and his MBA from UW-Parkside in Kenosha, Wis. Throughout his career with Modine, Goodremote has served as product engineer, application engineer, product manager, product engineering supervisor, application engineering manager on highway products, and applications and product engineering manager, Truck Division. He also served as plant superintendent at McHenry, Ill., previous to his position in Harrodsburg and is a member of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

Michelle Lechert May '96 received the master of arts degree in youth and family ministry from Luther Seminary on May 27 at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis.

May is a 14-year resident of Ramsey, Minn., and a current resident of Brooklyn Center, Minn. She earned her B.S. degree in human development and family studies from UW-Stout, and is a 1992 graduate of Anoka High School in Anoka, Minn.

May is currently a full-time senior high youth minister at St. Philip the Deacon Lutheran Church in Plymouth, Minn. St. Philip the Deacon Lutheran Church supported her seminary education.

Steve Lunseth '74 has been living in Grand Forks, N.D., since graduation. He and his wife Marlyce have a blended family with four children. Steve enjoys great hunting and fishing in his native North Dakota. His company, Aatrix Software Inc., provides payroll and accounting software for the Macintosh. In addition to the company's accounting software Mac P&L (*purchased from State of the Art*) and Aatrix Accounting (*formerly Peachtree for*



Goodremote



May



Lunseth

Macintosh), the company's payroll software TopPay is shipped with Quick Books for Macintosh.

This newest venture took five years of research and development. The company's Electronic Forms Division offers Windows compatible federal and state payroll reports for all 50 states and includes 250 electronic reports. Aatrix's forms and FormReader are available for Great Plains Dynamics, Cougar Mountain Accounting, TopPay for QuickBooks-Mac, AgSoft Payroll, and for other accounting and payroll companies. The company's electronic forms division will soon begin production of sales tax, human resource and other forms.

Lunseth credits success in software development with his education at UW-Stout. "The mechanical reasoning I learned in industrial technology was directly applicable to software development. Break the project down into components, analyze and create each part, then combine everything for the finished software product. As head of the activities division, I also gained valuable budgeting, writing and people skills," Lunseth said.

Tom Neckvatal '70, director of graphic services at Minnesota Life Insurance Co., in St. Paul, Minn., received the BestPrep 2001 Volunteer Service Award. The award is given to individuals who contribute time, expertise and resources to prepare Minnesota's youth for success in life and work.

"Tom is a big supporter of BestPrep, and his hard work and dedication in printing our special event program was exemplary," said Bob Kaitz, president and CEO of BestPrep. "This year's 'Birdies for BestPrep' four-color program was recognized by all of us as the finest document ever produced by the BestPrep organization. Minnesota Life and its associates have supported BestPrep for more than 20 years with financial and volunteer resources."

Neckvatal graduated from UW-Stout with a major in general business administration. BestPrep, formerly known as BEEF (*Business Economics Education Foundation*), was established in 1976. The nonprofit organization is committed to the goal of bridging business and education resources in Minnesota so that students will be better prepared for the future.

Kathleen Wood '85 is president of Elliot Solutions, a branch of the Elliot Association family. Elliot Solutions is an organization and strategic development firm specializing in the areas of strategic, human resources, leadership, operational and business development. As the pre-mier consultant to the food service industry, Elliot Solutions is committed to providing practical and profitable solutions enabling clients to be competitively positioned.

Prior to initiating Elliot Solutions, Wood was the senior director of travel and entertainment for MasterCard International. In this position, she was responsible for aligning partnerships with hospitality organizations to develop products and services to enhance their organizational systems and profitability.

Previously, as director of new business development for Friday's Hospitality Worldwide, Wood was responsible for extending Friday's Hospitality Worldwide brands into non-traditional marketplaces. These renowned



Neckvatal



Wood

brands include TGI Friday's, Friday's American Bar, Itallanni's and Front Row Sports Grill. Today there are more than 425 locations in 44 states and 23 countries.

Wood initially made her mark in the industry as the director of sales and marketing for the Educational Foundation of the National Restaurant Association. She and her team were responsible for the sales of educational training materials to more than 600 academic institutions, 200 corporations and 40 associations. She also has an extensive background in both restaurant and hotel operations including Taco Bell, Carson International and McDonald's.

She most recently served as the 1997 president of the Council of Hotel and Restaurant Trainers. She has served as a board member of the Women's Foodservice Forum and has also held board positions in the Roundtable for Women in Foodservice. In 1999 she received the Corporate "Pacesetter Award" for the Roundtable for Women in Foodservice. The North America Foodservice Equipment Manufacturers Association also awarded her the prestigious Honorary Doctorate of Foodservice in 1997.

Helmuth Albrecht '60 did not learn his real name until his older brother introduced him to his first grade teacher. The nickname "Pookie" stuck throughout school, college and his professional career.

Albrecht enjoyed his college years at Stout, serving as the Stout Student Association president, a member of the Sigma Tau fraternity and, of course, pursuing a very active social life.

Many may remember Albrecht as head resident of the men's residence halls in the 1960s. He continued at Stout for 35 years in many capacities, including overseeing the men's and women's residence halls, Dining Services, Student Center, Student Health, Counseling Center, University Protective Services and Parking.

Albrecht recalls many stories of those times, including traveling with Miss Killian and winning the respect of students living in the dorms by felling a bat in midair with his bare hands.

Albrecht retired three years ago as an administrator of Student Life Services. Today he can most likely be found in Holcombe, Wis., at his business, All Season Sports Center, where he sells big toys for big boys (*and girls*)! He and his wife, Donna, continue to reside in Menomonie where they are enjoying life as grandparents.



Albrecht

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Alumni News

1920–1969

Jean Daniels Melchert '45, Seymour, was honored March 25 for 45 years of service to the Seymour Board of Education. **Barbara Harms Nemecek** BS '62, MS '63 will serve as founding dean for the newly established College of Business and Economics, UW-River Falls. **Rose Peichel Angelo** '63, Zimmerman, Minn., has retired after 28 years of teaching. **Elizabeth Halama Hedrington** '65, Chippewa Falls, has retired after serving as Chippewa County deputy treasurer for 27 years. **Dwight Davis** '66 is president of Greenheck Fan Corp., Schofield. **Barbara Hentschel Rueb** '66 has retired from teaching in Livonia, Mich., and has moved to Pinehurst, N.C. **Gale Tappe** '66 is a manufacturing engineer with John Deere's Construction and Forestry Division, Dubuque, Iowa. **Robert Fuller** '67 has retired from UW-Eau Claire. **Richard Heshelman** BS '67, MS '75 has retired after 34 years of teaching at Parker High School, Janesville. **Carol Berghammer Wisnewski** BS '67, MS '70, Stratford, has retired after 34 years as a family and consumer education teacher at Stratford Junior-Senior High School. **Gloria Spinka Kelly** '68, Chicago, Ill., has joined the Center for Creative Leadership (CCL) as regional business development associate. CCL is an international, nonprofit educational institution devoted to behavioral science research and leadership education. **Carol Palombi Schultz** BS '68, MS '72, Fort Collins Colo., received the Florence Hall Award for outstanding program, RETHINK – Anger Management, from the National Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. Carol is currently a Colorado State University extension agent for Larimer County. **Michael Severson** BS '69, MS '75, Dallas, has retired after 31 years of teaching at Sheboygan Falls High School and is now the owner/manager of Pine Crest Golf. **Gary Valine** '69 is a technical instructor/curriculum developer for Harley Davidson University, Milwaukee. **Carolynn Schlottman Zimmer** '69, Green Bay, has retired from Green Bay Public Schools.

1970–1979

Karen Williams Hall '70, Rochester, N.Y., is active in community theatre groups and is on the board of directors of the Jewish Community Center's Centerstage.

Henry Pawlus '71, Coal Valley, Ill., was recently elected president of the Illinois Skills USA VICA Foundation. He is a teacher at Moline High School. **Glenn Schirg** '71 is vice president of Romano Galtand Consulting, Gallatin, Tenn. **Robert Wells** '71 has been appointed customer service manager at Fristam Pumps, Middleton.

Kathleen Baumann Palmer '72 has been appointed executive area director for the West Learning Community of Orange County Public Schools, Orlando, Fla.

Keith Frank MS '74, Ed.S. '75 is a counselor in the Student Life and Counseling Center, Emporia State University, Emporia, Kans. **Steven Peterson** '74, Hartsville, S.C., is manager of manufacturing engineering and plant services manager at A.O. Smith.

William Mathy MS '75, Fullerton, Calif., was named Rotarian of the Year.

LaVonne Knetel Anderson '76 has retired after 23 years of teaching in the Boyceville School District. **Donald Hagmann** '76 is director of real estate and construction at Medtronic Inc., Minneapolis. **Joseph Hegge** BS '76, MS '86 has received the Distinguished Alumni Award from Blackhawk Technical College, Janesville. He is currently vice president-education at Chippewa Valley Technical College, Eau Claire. **Brett Huske** '76 is senior vice president of sales and marketing, Snowmass Village at Aspen, Snowmass Village, Colo.

David Burrill '77 was promoted to director of management, Properties Group, Ryan Companies US Inc., Minneapolis. **Janice McCann Raufman** '77 is sales manager and head buyer for McCann Floors Inc., Janesville. **Jean Smith** BS '77, MS '82 is the administrator at Mayville Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Mayville.

Penny VandeBerg Entringer '78 is pastor of First Congregational United Church of Christ,

Glencoe, Minn. **Joseph** '78 and **Elaine Blevins Huley** '78 have relocated to St. Louis, Mo., where Joseph is general manager of Caterpillar Power Systems Division. **Craig Kalley** '78 is a senior manufacturing engineer with DNE Manufacturing and Services Co., Wallingford, Conn. **James "PJ" Noll** '78 was named engineering manger at OEI/KI, Green Bay. **Dennis Pohle** '78, Baraboo, is materials manager for S & S Cycle Inc. He recently received Lifetime Certification (C.P.M.) from the National Association of Purchasing Management.

Martin Gierke '79, Peoria, Ill., has recently joined Caterpillar Inc. after 18 years with Black & Decker.

1980–1988

Barbara Baryenbruch Luhring '80 along with husband Gregg is the owner of 3W Design Group Inc., Sister Bay. The firm creates interactive media for regional, national and international clients. **Theresa Koch Peterson** '80, Burnsville, Minn., graduated cum laude from William Mitchell College of Law and was sworn into the state bar of Minnesota. She is currently a law clerk for the Honorable Robert Schumacher at the Minnesota Court of Appeals.

Kenneth Gissing '81 is general manager for Sodexo Marriott Services at Aurora University, Williams Bay. **Sandra Frey Hughes** '81 teaches fourth grade at Sundown Elementary, Lancaster, Calif.

Kimberly Draeger May '82, Keller, Texas, is vice president of ExecuSearch Placement Professionals, a recruiting firm specializing in the securities industry. **Peter Kreuser** '83 has joined C.G. Schmidt in Milwaukee as a project executive. **Scott** BS '82, MS '83 and **Judith Sponem Wheeler** '83 reside in Canterbury Victoria, Australia. Scott is an independent stock trader; Judith is a managing director for Daimler Chrysler Corp.

Gloria Thoma Barrow '83 received the Time Warner Cable National Teacher Award, one of only 20 bestowed nationwide. She has taught kindergarten for 15 years, the past 13 years in Dundee, Fla.

Daniel Alt '84, Appleton, was promoted to marketing manager at Appleton Papers. **Michael LaRoche** '84, MS '91 was selected the 2000-2001 Teacher of the Year at Green Cove Spring Junior High School. He is a lab administrator/technology advisor for the Clay County School District, Jacksonville, Fla. **Scott** '84 and **Sandra Dettmann Randall** '85 reside in Milton. Scott is a technology edcuation teacher at Milton High School; Sandra is a kindergarten teacher at Milton West Elementary.

Steven Gouge '85 is president and co-owner of Harbridge LLC, manufacturers of industrial air handling systems and exchangers located in Fond du Lac. **C. Greg Pottorff** '85 is director of European hardware and equipment manufacturing for Corning Cable Systems, Munich, Germany. **Mark Thomley** '85, a New York Life Insurance agent in Black River Falls, was named an Annuity Champion for 2000. Each year this recognition is bestowed upon a select group of qualified agents based on exceptional annuity sales performance.

Randy Linberg '86 is the director of building services at the Adam's Mark Hotel, Dallas, Texas. **Dallas Olson** '86 has been promoted to quality and technology manager at Goodyear Tire and Rubber Co., Topeka, Kans. **Lisa Pellowski** '86, Springfield, Ill., is a supervisor with the State of Illinois Department of Children and Family Services. **Karen Weaver Spindler** '86, Wauwatosa, was promoted to corporate director of human resources for Marcus Hotels and Resorts.

David Holling MS '87 has been named executive director of the Buchanan Counseling Network, Indianapolis, Ind. **Jolene Jackson** '87, Plymouth, Minn., is sales manager for Garrison Partners. **Richard Hutter** '87, Seattle, Wash., was awarded the Outstanding Painting Prize at the National Prize Show which was organized by the Cambridge Art Association in Cambridge, Mass.

Agnes Duda Keller '88, Crandon, has received a master's degree in elementary education

from Viterbo University in La Crosse. She is currently teaching fourth grade for the Crandon School District. **Dean Rabe** '88 is a quality assurance coordinator for Rockline Industries, Springdale, Ark. Major **Jeffrey Strey** '88, Coronado, Calif., is an instructor at Naval Amphibious Base, Expeditionary Warfare Training Group, Pacific. **Victoria Weiley** '88 is a communications specialist with Endeavor Information System, Arlington Heights, Ill. **Peter Young** BS '88, MS '94 is principal of Sacred Heart School, Shawano.

1989–1992

Dennis Blenis '89, Rosemount, Minn., is direct marketing manger at David Knox Productions. **Elise Strynick Ellis** '89 was promoted to director of merchandise process integration, Kmart Corp., Troy, Mich. **Mike Hebbing** '89 is division manger for Schwans Sales Enterprises Inc., Des Moines, Iowa. **Eric** '89 and **Tracy Hjort Langheinrich** '89 reside in Crystal Lake, Ill. Eric was promoted to manager, customer marketing, Quaker Oats Co.; Tracy has been promoted to director, U.S. Central Sales, Manufacturers Services. **Lynn O'Malley Lasee** '89, Sioux Falls, S.Dak., is a manager with C.J. Banks. **Darien Schaefer** '89 is executive director of the Wausau/Central Wisconsin Convention and Visitors Bureau, Mosinee. **Jeffrey Westphal** '89 is the owner of Westphal's Printing and Graphics, Brownsville. **Craig White** '89, Laurel, Md., has enrolled in medical school at the University of Maryland.

Debra Zabel Herrmann '90 is the housing manager for Southview Estates and New Life Manor, Blue Earth, Minn. **David Olson** '90, Gansevoort, N.Y., was promoted to regional risk manager with Federated Insurance. **Denise Albrecht Simpson** '90 is an insurance agent with Lakeland Agency, Pequot Lakes, Minn. **Jane Wiltrout Van Order** '90, Minocqua, is a design assistant at Northern Woods Interior Design. **Nancy Hoefflin Wetterau** '90, Sheboygan, is a research and development communications specialist with Wisconsin Public Service Corp. **Jeffrey Wittlief** '90, Mount Horeb, is general manager of Peterson Best Way Construction, LLC.

Patricia Barry MS '91 is a psychotherapist for NorthWest Regional Center, Cumberland. **Marcia Fall** MS '91, Tomahawk, has taken a year's leave of absence from her job as a school counselor and is doing volunteer work at Holden Village in the Cascade Mountains of Washington State. **Brian Freeman** '91 is a prepress supervisor for Cooperative Printing, Minneapolis. **Michael Ginter** '91 is the general manager of the Hilton Garden Inn, Evanston, Ill. **Suzanne Schelske Johnson** '91, Champlin, Minn., is an account specialist for Travelers Express/MoneyGram Co. Inc. **Ruth Wikoff-Jones** '91, Minneapolis, is a program assistant for the Minnesota Percent for Art in Public Places Program. **John Zickert** '91 is the rooms division manager at Crystal Mountain, Thompsonville, Mich.

Renee Anderson '92 was named director of catering services at the Pfister Hotel, Milwaukee. **William Larson** '92 has completed a master's degree in rehabilitation administration/educational leadership. He is currently a program director for Orange County ARC, Anaheim, Calif. **Janet Ley** '92 is an interior designer/architect in Victoria, Australia. **Lynn Morrow Patton** '92, Cleveland, Ohio, has earned a master's degree in secondary education with certification in family and consumer science from the University of Akron. She is currently employed by the Lakewood City School District. **Joseph Stichert** '92 has been promoted to package engineering manager at Bath and Body Works, Reynoldsburg, Ohio. **Andrew Van Elzen** '92, Canton, Ohio, is a sales representative for Pierce Manufacturing.

1993–1996

Michelle Chadwick '93, Eagan, Minn., is human resources manager at Quality Assured Label Inc. **Mary Mrdutt** '93 is manager of Potbelly Sandwich Works, Chicago, Ill. **Jennifer Prout** '93 has received a master's of business administration-managerial leadership from City Univer-

sity, Seattle, Wash. **Amy Justman Schmoldt** '93 was promoted to assistant branch manager at M&I Bank, West Bend. **Mark Sulok** '93 is a market manager with Border Patrol Wisconsin Inc., a Taco Bell franchise in Milwaukee. **Daniel** BS '93, MS '95 and **Holly Lemke Virnig** '94 are the owners of Birch Island Resort, Phillips. **Traci Adamson Wilson** '93, Madison, has joined the staff of the Wisconsin Beef Council as their consulting dietitian. She is currently the owner of Timeless Cuisine LLC, which provides in-home meal solutions and nutrition consulting services to its clients.

Kenneth Baratta '94 is a supplier development specialist with LifeFitness, Franklin Park, Ill. **Bruce Fuerbringer** MS '94 is chief of the Eau Claire Fire Department. **Molly Lynn Morphey** '94 is a packaging engineer with PACTIV Corp, Lake Forest, Ill. **Michael Pad-dock** '94 is the club manager at North Shore Golf Club, Menasha. **Tricia Kilpatrick Smith** '94, New Berlin, is a catering manager for the Hilton Milwaukee City Center. **Christopher Tepler** '94 is an art director for the National Geographic Society, Washington, D.C.

Todd Kaul '95 is manager of manufacturing and engineering at Alliance Laundry Systems, Ripon. **Peter Kimball** '95 recently began employment as a technical trainer at American Graphics Institute, Woburn, Mass. **Jay Scheibe** '95 is a sales representative for Aramark Uniform Services, Fridley, Minn. **Melissa Karker Schwartz** '95, Denver, Colo., has completed her MBA in global management.

Kevin Baas '96, Farmington, Minn., is a technology education teacher at Bloomington Kennedy High School. He has recently been named boys head track and field coach as well as football and wrestling coach. **Richard** '96 and **Michelle Muehlbauer Burr** '95 reside in Apple Valley, Minn. Richard is a computer programmer with Syngenta Seeds, Stanton, Minn.; Michelle is an interior designer with United Properties, Bloomington, Minn. **Laura Reuss Cronan** '96, Nekosia, received the Family, Community, Career Leaders of America (FCCCLA) "Master Advisor Award." She is a family and consumer sciences teacher for Wisconsin Rapids Public Schools. **Victoria Houle Olund** MS '96, Hudson, is a senior training specialist with Deluxe Corp. Christopher **Plotz** '96, Olathe, Kans., earned a MBA from Rockhurst University, Kansas City. He is currently a technical sales representative with BHA Technologies.

1997–2000

David '97 and **Rebecca Speltz Brennan** '97 reside in Parker, Colo. David is senior manager of facilities construction for Qwest Construction Services; Rebecca is an interior designer with Davis Partnership Architects. **Dina Johnson Dupre** '97, Andover, Minn., has earned a master of arts in counseling and psychological services from St. Mary's University of Minnesota. **Christopher Forcier** '97 is a registered investment advisor with AXA Advisors, Eau Claire. **Jennifer Grom** '97 is a technical designer in the infants division of Kohl's, Menomonee Falls. **Jared** '97 and **Jessica Pfeiffer Hoylo** '97 reside in St. Anthony, Minn. Jared is a sales manager at L&L Exhibition, Bloomington, Minn.; Jessica is an organizational effectiveness analyst at Best Buy Corporate Headquarters, Eden Prairie, Minn. **LaRue Pierce** BA '97, MS '00 is assistant dean of students/coordinator for judicial affairs at St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minn. **Angela Saffert Reimer** '97 is an administrative assistant for IBM, Rochester, Minn. **Christine Zika** '97 is director of child welfare at Orchards Children's Services, Detroit, Mich.

Robin Barrett '98 is a kindergarten teacher at Valley View Elementary, Columbia Heights, Minn. **Thomas Bayerle** '98 is an assistant engineering manager with Hines Interests, Minneapolis. **Sarah Branstad** '98 is an owner of The Web Practice, a web development company located in St. Paul, Minn. **Amy Doepke** '98, Chicago, Ill., was promoted to human resources manager at Hyatt Corporate Office. **Lee** '98 and **Lettie Post Fundane't** '00 reside in Minneapolis. Lee is employed at the Sheraton Four Points;

Lettie is a preschool teacher at Maranatha Christian Academy. **Eric** ’98 and **Jillian Olson Guberud** ’99 reside in Richfield, Minn. Eric is an executive team leader for Target, West St. Paul; Jillian is a special needs teacher at St. David’s, Minnetonka, Minn. **Michael** ’98 and **Kristen Dorheim Nesterick** ’97 reside in Oshkosh. Michael is a kindergarten teacher for the Fond du Lac School District; Kristen is a regional marketing and promotions manager for WISCO Hotel Group. **Theresa Paukert Pratt** ’98 is a clinical dietitian at Immanuel St. Joseph’s Hospital, Mankato, Minn. **Jennifer Prosser** ’98 is a meeting planner for Minnesota Health and Housing Alliance, St. Paul, Minn. **Hally Waltz** ’98, River Falls, is a family and consumer education teacher at River Falls High School.

Marriages

Lorraine Daubner to **William Dresden** ’47, June 2. Couple resides in Eau Claire.

Kathy McGinley to **David Stout** ’75, Aug. 23. Couple resides in Emmaus, Penna. **Janice McCann** ’77 to Bruce Raufman, May 5. Couple resides in Janesville. **Peggy VandeBerg** ’78 to Stephen Entringer, May 5. Couple resides in Glencoe, Minn.

Gretchen Hoffman to **Thomas Iverson** ’80, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in Amherst. Linda Mason to **Jeffrey Schield** BS ’80, MS ’82, Sept. 16, 2000. Couple resides in Wausau. Diane Gustafson to **Michael Schlenker** ’84, May 19. Couple resides in Eau Claire. Stephanie Stellpflug to **Michael Murray** ’84, Aug. 19, 2000. Couple resides in Combined Locks. **Nancy Boone** ’86 to Douglas Muller, June 30. Couple resides in Minnetonka, Minn. **Letha Fritsch** ’89 to Don Schneider, June 24, 2000. Couple resides in Batavia, Ill. **Kirsten Klauk** ’89 to Edward Holmes, Sept. 2000. Couple resides in Naperville, Ill.

Brenda Buth ’90 to Lee Liermann, July 14. Couple resides in Eagle River. Pamela Brustman to **Brian Freeman** ’91, Aug. 4. Couple resides in Crystal, Minn. **Suzanne Schelske** ’91 to Brian Johnson, Sept. 22. Couple resides in Champlin, Minn. Theresa Gruber to **Brent Douglas** ’92, Sept. 30, 2000. Couple resides in Prairie du Sac. Rebecca Shearer to **David Richter** ’92, Sept. 29. Couple resides in Chattanooga, Tenn. **Jamie Siler** ’92 to **Neil Bretl** ’93, Jan. 2001. Couple resides in Racine. Debbie and **Andrew Van Elzen** ’92, Oct. 14, 2000. Couple resides in Canton, Ohio. **Heidi Allness** ’93 to Randy Krabbenhoft, July 6. Couple resides in Lakeville, Minn. **Lisa Jensen** ’93 to Bret Jacobson, Feb. 24. Couple resides in Two Rivers. **Tammy Lanoue** ’93 to Jerry Perez, June 30. Couple resides in Waukesha. Rebecca Wurdak to **Douglas Sonsalla** ’93, Oct. 7, 2000. Couple resides in St. Paul. Donna Giuli to **Mike Johann** ’94, Nov. 13, 1999. Couple resides in Raleigh, N.C. **Tricia Kilpatrick** ’94 to Jason Smith, Aug. 31. Couple resides in New Berlin. **Leah Anderson** MS ’95 to Scott Oleniczak, May 27, 2000. Couple resides in Green Bay. **Sarah Hoffman** ’95 to Kenneth Boitz, Oct. 21, 2000. Couple resides in Chicago, Ill. **Melissa Karker** ’95 to Brian Schwartz, July 14. Couple resides in Denver, Colo. **Michelle Muehlbauer** ’95 to **Richard Burr** ’96, Oct. 21, 2000. Couple resides in Apple Valley, Minn. **Maren Brown** ’96 to Jason Geyen, Oct. 28, 2000. Couple resides in Rogers, Minn. **Heidi Carlson** BA ’96, MS ’98 to Marshall Grange, May 19. Couple resides in Rosemount, Minn.

Deaths

Esther Micheels Lyders Dip. ’20, Aug. 19, Toledo, Ohio. **Dorothy Miller McCarthy** ’24, May 24, Manitowoc. **Pearl Lindall Laitala** ’29, Aug. 30, Green Bay.

Allard Rowe ’33, Sept. 15, Eau Claire. **Marine Schultz Haase** ’36, Aug. 31, La Crosse. **Loretta Zastrow** ’37, March 26, Whitewater. **Elmer Clausen** BS ’39, MS ’49, Aug. 4, Olympia, Wash. **Robert Ritter** ’39, June 20, East Lansing, Mich.

Louise Kirk Weinkauf ’40, Aug. 22,

Jason Bingham ’99, Lakewood, Colo., is a packaging sales representative for Unisource Worldwide. **Heidi Brandt** ’99 is a senior designer/illustrator for Trend Enterprises Inc., New Brighton, Minn. **April Duval Burback** ’99, Menomonie, is a family and consumer education teacher at New Richmond Middle School. **Christine White Finstad** ’99 is a clinical dietitian at St. Vincent Hospital, Green Bay. **David Hawkinson** ’99, Woodbury, Minn., was promoted to lead software engineer at Brightech Consulting Inc. **Carl Hert** ’99, marketing teacher at Medford Senior High School, received the 2001 Golden Apple Award (*Teacher of the Year*) from the Medford Area Chamber of Commerce Education Board. **Michael Nehring** ’99 is a technology education teacher at Highland Park Senior

Valerie Bowers ’97 to **Christopher Aune** ’98, Sept. 23, 2000. Couple resides in Hudson. **Shannon DeJager** ’97 to Jason Huebscher, June 23. Couple resides in Hudson. **Courtney Dorr** ’97 to **Daniel Davidson** ’99, May 19. Couple resides in Minnetonka, Minn. **Dina Johnson** ’97 to Dan Dupre, June 8. Couple resides in Andover, Minn. **Amy Magle** ’97 to Hans Becker, Aug. 12, 2000. Couple resides in Sauk Rapids, Minn. Aira Henderson to **Benjamin Wandmacher** ’98, June 17, 2000. Couple resides in Buffalo, Minn. **Bridget Hockin** ’98 to **Jed Helwig** ’98, June 30. Couple resides in Phoenix, Ariz. Heather Larson to **Jason Noworatzky** ’98, July 22, 2000. Couple resides in Stevens Point. **Theresa Paukert** ’98 to Aric Pratt, June 17, 2000. Couple resides in Waterville, Minn. **Jill Salzmann** ’98 to Justin Segerson, June 3, 2000. Couple resides in Stoughton. **Marcia Snarski** ’98 to Jon Wuest, Aug. 4. Couple resides in Ottumwa, Iowa. **Lisa Wagner** ’98 to David Nickel, Sept. 1. Couple resides in Neenah. Kelly Coker to **Zachary Sand** ’99, Aug. 17. Couple resides in New Brighton, Minn. **April Duval** ’99 to Chris Burback, Oct. 21, 2000. Couple resides in Menomonie. **Jennifer Harder** ’99 to **David Wahl** ’99, July 4. Couple resides in Eau Claire. **Jillian Olson** ’99 to Eric Guberud ’98, June 16. Couple resides in Richfield, Minn. **Amy Schupbach** ’99 to **Jason Sauer** ’99, June 30. Couple resides in Bourbonnais, Ill. **Amy Stillwell** ’99 to **Mark Jenneman** ’00, Sept. 23, 2000. Couple resides in Shakopee, Minn. **Heather Uselding** ’99 to **Gregory Rohm** ’00, Sept. 2, 2000. Couple resides in Apple Valley, Minn. **Christine White** ’99 to Ryan Finstad, Dec. 30, 2000. Couple resides in Green Bay.

Jamie Bauerkemper ’00 to Eric Kurlinski, July 28. Couple resides in Oconomowoc. **Kelly Brouwers** ’00 to **Jeffrey Horbinski** ’00, May 12. Couple resides in Alexandria, Va. **Jessica Hofschulte** ’00 to **Michael Nehring** ’99, June 2000. Couple resides in St. Paul, Minn. **Teiko Judnic** ’00 to Corey Kowalczyk, Sept. 16, 2000. Couple resides in Chippewa Falls. **Karen Larson** ’00 to Adam Hart, June 16. Couple resides in Golden Valley, Minn. **Christina Olson** ’00 to Kyle Coulson, Aug. 19, 2000. Couple resides in Chippewa Falls. **Angela Reynolds** ’00 to **Phillip Bickelhaupt** ’00, June 23. Couple resides in Stevens Point. **Heidi Thalacker** ’00 to **Ryan Ledebuhr** ’99, May 2000. Couple resides in Minnetonka, Minn. **Tara Young** ’00 to **Paul Brazeau** ’00, Sept. 2, 2000. Couple resides in Sun Prairie.

Menomonie. **Florence Wilkins Cappon** ’42, March 14, Fort Collins, Colo. **Alvin Weitkamp** ’42, Aug. 25, Hudson.

Raymond Weber ’50, June 29, Green Bay. **Herbert Mattson** MS ’51, April 10, Ironwood, Mich. **Robert J. Berg** ’52, April 22, Waukesha. **Lewis Precourt** ’53, Aug. 5, Neenah. **Wesley Face** MS ’56, Aug. 30, Menomonie. **Eldred Manske** ’58, April 22, West Salem. **Donald Trewartha** ’59, July 2, Bloomington, Minn. **Clara Ferries Belt** ’60, March 17, Clyde,

High School, St. Paul, Minn. **Amy Schupbach Sauer** ’99, Bourbonnais, Ill., is a packaging engineer with Aventis Behring. **Jeffrey Tietz** ’99, Minneapolis, was promoted to project analyst at Qwest Global Business Markets. **Gene Tremblay** BS ’99, MS ’01 is a counselor for the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation, Ladysmith.

Phillip Bickelhaupt ’00 is a technology education teacher at Lincoln School, Wisconsin Rapids. **Josephine Bolgrihn** ’00 is a youth offender response team member for Larimer County, Fort Collins, Colo. **David Bucheger** ’00 is a software engineer in the Triangle Research Area of IBM Corp., Raleigh, N.C. **Diane Deering** ’00, is a technology education teacher at Westwood Middle School, Blaine, Minn. **Jef-frey** ’00 and **Kelly Brouwers Horbinski** ’00

Births

A son, Benjamin James Michael, Dec. 22, 2000, to **James** ’83 and Mary Jo **Fortney**, Hudson. A daughter, Stephanie Cecelia, March 6, to **Mark** ’84 and **Lynn Shimota Honnold** ’85, Chanhassen, Minn. A daughter, Sophia Marie, Dec. 1, 2000, to **Scott** ’84 and **Sandra Dettmann Randall** ’85, Milton. A son, Demetrius Bernard, Feb. 28, to Theodore and **Melissa Lamers Pappas** ’85, Lake Villa, Ill. A son, Vincent John, June 13, to Kenneth and **Janet Hockenhull Twin** ’86, St. Louis Park, Minn. A son, Anthony, April 27, to **Robert** ’88 and **Sonja Grauze Gella** ’88, Eden Prairie, Minn. A son, John Ainsworth, March 8, to **Jerry** ’88 and **Toni Ainsworth Read** ’84, Marion, Ind. A daughter, Molly Jeanne, Jan. 21 to David and **Jeanne “Trish” Anderson Bjerke** ’89, Apple Valley, Minn. A son, Jacob Christian, Jan. 12, to **Eric** ’89 and **Tracy Hjort Langheinrich** ’89, Crystal Lake, Ill. A daughter, Elizabeth Anne, April 25, to Michael and **Kelly Barber Linert** ’89, Edina, Minn. A daughter, Karina Marie, Aug. 23, 2000, to **Christopher BS** ’89, MS ’97 and Tracy **Riba**, New Richmond.

A daughter, Heidi Ann, Sept. 27, to Kip and **Debra Zabel Herrmann** ’90, Delavan, Minn. A daughter, Emily, Oct. 6, 2000, to **Joseph Honnold** ’90 and Amy Patton, Plymouth, Minn. Twins, Quinn Elliot and Chloe Morgan, May 11, to **Glenn** ’90 and **Carla Gronquist Kasel** ’91, Hastings, Minn. A daughter, Payton Ashley, May 17, to Scott and **Kari Svoboda Roth** ’90, New Berlin. A daughter, Lauren Marie, July 24, 2000, to James and **Nancy Hoefflin Wetterau** ’90, Sheboygan. A son, Adam Paul, March 23, to Paul and **Gina Weyer Butler** ’91, Germantown. A daughter, Noelle Joanne, Feb. 10, to **Duane BS** ’91, MS ’96 and **Lisa Elchlepp Elfering** ’92, Barneveld. A son, Zachary Allen, Jan. 25, to Donald and **Ruth Wikoff Jones** ’91, Minneapolis. A daughter, Brooke Elizabeth, March 12, to Spencer and **Jennifer Ekholm O’Quinn** ’91, Conyers, Ga. A son, Jack Austin, March 31, to **Rob** ’91 and **Karin Peterson Tadych** ’93, Oswego, Ill. A daughter, Elizabeth, Dec. 27, 2000, to **Randy** ’92 and **Susan Chapman Campbell** ’91, Watertown. A daughter, Karissa Irene, March 10, to Steven and **Katrina Robarge Homar** ’92, Waukesha. A son, Tyler James, Feb. 26, to **Joseph** ’92 and **Karen Wituschek Stichart** ’91, Pataskala, Ohio. A daughter, Alysha Suzanne, May 18, to Barry and **Laurie Cox Strunk** ’92, Nicollet, Minn. A daughter, Amber Lynn, July 7, to **Jim** ’93 and **Michelle Magnuson Duevel** ’94, Eagan, Minn. A daughter, Emily, Nov. 28, 2000, to **Daniel** ’93 and **Darcie Leaman**

reside in Alexandria, Va., where Kelly works for a teen crisis shelter. Jeff is employed by the U.S. Government in Washington, D.C. **Teiko Judnic Kowalczyk** ’00, Cadott, is a second grade teacher at Cadott Elementary. **Elizabeth Kysely** ’00, Little Chute, is a technology education teacher for the Appleton School District. **Tanya Petrie** ’00 is a CD-special education teacher at River Falls High School. **Joann Sharp** ’00 is a manufacturing management trainee with Bertelsmann Arrato, Berryville, Va. **Craig Stone** ’00 is a process improvement coordinator for Flint Ink, West Chicago, Ill. **Michelle Totzke** ’00 is an analyst with Accenture, Minneapolis.

Sorensen ’92, Woodbury, Minn. A daughter, Sydney Steele, June 16, to **Scott** ’94 and Linda **Alger**, Waukesha. A son, Isaac Henry, Feb. 11, to David and **Jennifore Kehoe Ebert** ’94, Oregon. A daughter, Lauren Elizabeth, Feb. 5, to **Mike** ’94 and Donna **Johann**, Raleigh, N.C. A daughter, Madelynn Marie, April 21, to Kyle and **Darla Maertz Krueger** ’94, Collins. A son, Drew Joseph, March 25, to **Nathan** ’94 and **Tara Provenzano McFadyen** ’94, Bolingbrook, Ill. Twin daughters, Grace Katherine and Jensen Kay, March 14, to **Ryan** ’94 and **Jody Preimesberger Rindy** ’95, Madison. A son, Chase Andrew, July 19, to **Chris** ’94 and **Debra Seipel Walker** ’95, Eau Claire. A daughter, Hannah Grace, March 31, to Robert and **Tammi Kraus Dernbach** ’95, Green Bay. A son, Calvin Chase, July 17, to **Arthur** ’95 and **Kathleen Myrman Diaz** ’96, Eau Claire. A son, Nathan F., Sept. 8, to **Todd** ’95 and **Lisa Zuerner Kaul** ’95, Oshkosh. A daughter, Isabel Beth, July 10, to Tim and **Stacie Murphy Reed** ’95, Port Washington. A son, Dylan Jay, June 12, 2000, to **Jay** ’95 and Tamera **Scheibe**, Blaine, Minn. A daughter, Alexandria Jo, June 12, to Robert and **Pamela Seipel Fedie** ’96, Durand. A son, Bryce Traynor, Sept. 6, 2000, to Nick and **Jamie Corullo Gilbertson** ’96, Minocqua. A son, Caleb Morris, July 11, to Chadd and **Jody Starkey Gundberg** ’96, Elk River, Minn. A daughter, Jena Elizabeth, Feb. 4, to Joshua and **Stacy Farrar Jacobs** ’96, Delavan. A daughter, Lillian Faith, Aug. 3, to Jeffery and **Amy Schoer Junge** BS ’96, MS ’97, Sanborn, Minn. A daughter, Mary Ann Reynolds, July 13, to **Lacey** ’96 and **Catina Reynolds King** ’96, Mishawaka, Ind. A son, Nikolai Rodman, June 3, to **Brian** ’97 and **Paula Rodman Charchenko** ’96, Eden Prairie, Minn. A son, Devin Alexander, April 15, to **Alexander** ’97 and Jennifer **Zeitler**, Rochester, Minn. A daughter, Hannah Nicole, Aug. 29, 2000, to **Jeffery** ’98 and **Sherry Pederson Drinkman** ’93, Tomah. A son, June 29, to Justin and **Jill Salzmann Segerson** ’98, Stoughton. A daughter, Antoinette Laura, June 3, 2000, to Louis and **Jane Helgeson Sonnentag** ’99, Bloomer.

Adoptions

Stephen and **Laura Kellen Tribou** ’86, Stockbridge, Ga., a son, Sam, who arrived from Thailand Oct. 27, 2000. **Christopher** ’96 and Jennifer **Plotz**, Olathe, Kans., a son, Wesley.

Paul Phillips ’74, Oct. 23, 2000, Green Bay. **Pamela Siegel Schenk** ’74, April 1, Milwaukee. **Susan Knutson Schildknecht** ’74, April 18, Hayward. **Larry Suess** ’79, June 1, Dallas, Texas. **Marlin “Marty” Miller** ’82, March 26, Becker, Minn. **Paul Binder** ’83, July 5, Rockford, Ill. **Bennie Jo Beer Smetak** ’83, July 26, Fort Atkinson. **Dan Zimmerman** ’85, Oct. 11, Pleasant Prairie.